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Caresses, expressions of one sort or another, are necessary to the life of the affections as leaves are to the life of a tree. If they are wholly restrained, love will die at the roots.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel

Hope is definitely not the same thing as optimism. It is not the conviction that something will turn out well, but the certainty that something makes sense, regardless of how it turns out.

- Havel, Vaclav

Failing to be there when a man wants her is a woman's greatest sin, except to be there when he doesn't want her.

- Rowland, Helen

Let me tell you I am better acquainted with you for a long absence, as men are with themselves for a long affliction: absence does but hold off a friend, to make one see him the truer.

- Pope, Alexander

The longest absence is less perilous to love than the terrible trials of incessant proximity.

- Ouida

Where you used to be, there is a hole in the world, which I find myself constantly walking around in the daytime, and falling in at night. I miss you like hell.

- Millay, Edna St. Vincent

Greater things are believed of those who are absent.

- Tacitus, Publius Cornelius

Absence does not make the heart grow fonder, but it sure heats up the blood.

- Ashley, Elizabeth

Absence -- that common cure of love.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

Our hours in love have wings; in absence, crutches.

- Cibber, Colley

Absence from whom we love is worse than death, and frustrates hope severer than despair.

- Cowper, William

Separated lovers cheat absence by a thousand fancies which have their own reality. They are prevented from seeing one another and they cannot write; nevertheless they find

countless mysterious ways of corresponding, by sending each other the song of birds, the scent of flowers, the laughter of children, the light of the sun, the sighing of the wind, and the gleam of the stars --all the beauties of creation.

- Hugo, Victor

Once we accept our limits, we go beyond them.

- Francis, Brendan

Accept the place the divine providence has found for you, the society of your contemporaries, the connection of events.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

I do not think that what is called Love at first sight is so great an absurdity as it is sometimes imagined to be. We generally make up our minds beforehand to the sort of person we should like, grave or gay, black, brown, or fair; with golden tresses or raven locks; -- and when we meet with a complete example of the qualities we admire, the bargain is soon struck.

- Hazlitt, William

Women wish to be loved not because they are pretty, or good, or well bred, or graceful, or intelligent, but because they are themselves.

- Amiel, Henri Frederic

Our Creator would never have made such lovely days, and have given us the deep hearts

to enjoy them, above and beyond all thought, unless we were meant to be immortal.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel

Happiness is a butterfly, which, when pursued, is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel

The greatest obstacle to being heroic is the doubt whether one may not be going to prove one's self a fool; the truest heroism is to resist the doubt; and the profoundest wisdom, to know when it ought to be resisted, and when it be obeyed.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel

Selfishness is one of the qualities apt to inspire love.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel

A woman's chastity consists, like an onion, of a series of coats.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel

God looks at us from above, life looks at us from behind, but death always looks at us in the face.

- Dumitrascu, Nicoleta

If you have it [Love], you don't need to have anything else, and if you don't

have it, it doesn't matter much what else you have.

- Barrie, Sir James M.

Real love stories never have endings.

- Bach, Richard

Accept the things to which fate binds you, and love the people with whom fate brings you together, but do so with all your heart.

- Aurelius, Marcus

I never knew how to worship until I knew how to love.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

Love is the immortal flow of energy that nourishes, extends and preserves. Its eternal goal is life.

- Blanton, Smiley

Darkness doesn't exist, you can merely measure the amount of light that is present. I think the same of hate, a lack of love rather.

- Dye, James

If ones' word or promise need be reminded, then they are neither..

- Blum, Donald

In nine cases out of ten, a woman had better show more affection than she feels.

- Austen, Jane

An engaged woman is always more agreeable than a disengaged. She is satisfied with herself. Her cares are over, and she feels that she may exert all her powers of pleasing without suspicion. All is safe with a lady engaged; no harm can be done.

- Austen, Jane

You mistake me, my dear. I have a high respect for your nerves. They are my old friends. I have heard you mention them with consideration these twenty years at least.

- Austen, Jane

Although our productions have afforded more extensive and unaffected pleasure than those of any other literary corporation in the world, no species of composition has been so much decried. And what are you reading, Miss -- -? Oh! it is only a novel! replies the young lady; while she lays down her book with affected indifference, or momentary shame. It is only Cecilia, or Camilla, or Belinda ; or, in short, only some work in which the greatest powers of the mind are displayed, in which the most thorough knowledge of human nature, the happiest delineation of its varieties, the liveliest effusions of wit and humor, are conveyed to the world in the best chosen language.

- Austen, Jane

A large income is the best recipe for happiness I ever heard of.

- Austen, Jane

Human nature is so well disposed towards those who are in interesting situations, that a young person, who either marries or dies, is sure of being kindly spoken of.

- Austen, Jane

It is always incomprehensible to a man that a woman should ever refuse an offer of marriage.

- Austen, Jane

Happiness in marriage is entirely a matter of chance.

- Austen, Jane

With men he can be rational and unaffected, but when he has ladies to please, every feature works.

- Austen, Jane

There are certainly are not so many men of large fortune in the world as there are of pretty woman to deserve them.

- Austen, Jane

A woman, especially, if she have the misfortune of knowing anything, should conceal it as well as she can.

- Austen, Jane

Business, you know, may bring you money, but friendship hardly ever does.

- Austen, Jane

To sit in the shade on a fine day, and look upon verdure is the most perfect refreshment.

- Austen, Jane

Every man is surrounded by a neighborhood of voluntary spies.

- Austen, Jane

For what do we live, but to make sport for our neighbors, and laugh at them in our turn?

- Austen, Jane

Where an opinion is general, it is usually correct.

- Austen, Jane

Why not seize the pleasure at once? How often is happiness destroyed by preparation, foolish preparation.

- Austen, Jane

Let other pens dwell on guilt and misery.

- Austen, Jane

Nobody can tell what I suffer! But it is always so. Those who do not complain are never pitied.

- Austen, Jane

One does not love a place the less for having suffered in it, unless it has been all suffering, nothing but suffering.

- Austen, Jane

One half of the world cannot understand the pleasures of the other.

- Austen, Jane

It is a truth universally acknowledged, that a single man is in possession of a good fortune, must be in want of a wife.

- Austen, Jane

There is safety in reserve, but no attraction. One cannot love a reserved person.

- Austen, Jane

One cannot be always laughing at a man without now and then stumbling on something witty.

- Austen, Jane

From politics it was an easy step to silence.

- Austen, Jane

Surprises are foolish things. The pleasure is not enhanced and the inconvenience is often considerable.

- Austen, Jane

What dreadful hot weather we have! It keeps me in a continual state of inelegance.

- Austen, Jane

Single women have a dreadful propensity for being poor. Which is one very strong argument in favor of matrimony.

- Austen, Jane

To look almost pretty is an acquisition of higher delight to a girl who has been looking plain for the first fifteen years of her life than a beauty from her cradle can ever receive.

- Austen, Jane

I am afraid that the pleasantness of an employment does not always evince its propriety.

- Austen, Jane

It is indolence... Indolence and love of ease; a want of all laudable ambition, of taste for good company, or of inclination to take the trouble of being agreeable, which make men

clergymen. A clergyman has nothing to do but be slovenly and selfish; read the newspaper, watch the weather, and quarrel with his wife. His curate does all the work and the business of his own life is to dine.

- Austen, Jane

It will, I believe, be everywhere found, that as the clergy are, or are not what they ought to be, so are the rest of the nation.

- Austen, Jane

We do not look in our great cities for our best morality.

- Austen, Jane

One has not great hopes from Birmingham. I always say there is something direful in the sound.

- Austen, Jane

Those who do not complain are never pitied.

- Austen, Jane

It may be possible to do without dancing entirely. Instances have been known of young people passing many, many months successively without being at any ball of any description, and no material injury accrue either to body or mind; but when a beginning is made -- when the felicities of rapid motion have once been, though slightly, felt -- it must be a very heavy set that does not ask for more.

- Austen, Jane

Affection is dezirable, but money is absolutly undispensable.

- Austen, Jane

Going to church doesn’t make you a Christian any more than going to the garage makes you a car.

- Laurence J. Peter

“But who prays for Satan? Who, in eighteen centuries, has had the common humanity to pray for the one sinner that needed it most?”

- Mark Twain

It was ideal apple-eating weather; the whitest sunlight descended from the purest sky, and an easterly wind rustled, without ripping loose, the last of the leaves on the Chinese elms. Autumns reward western Kansas for the evils at the remaining seasons impose: winter's rough Colorado winds and hip-high, sheep slaughtering snows; the slushes and the strange land fogs of spring; and summer, when even crows seek the puny shade, and the tawny infinitude of wheatstalks bristle, blaze.

- Capote, Truman

There is none more lonely than the man who loves only himself.

- Esra, Abraham Ibn

It is strange to be known so universally and yet to be so lonely.

- Einstein, Albert

Love poems are always cliche to me but not to the person it’s for.

- Dye, James

Beauty is but the sensible image of the Infinite. Like truth and justice it lives within us; like virtue and the moral law it is a companion of the soul.

- Bancroft, George

Whoever has lived long enough to find out what life is, knows how deep a debt of gratitude we owe to Adam, the first great benefactor of our race. He brought death into the world.

- Twain, Mark

I sometimes give myself admirable advice, but I am incapable of taking it.

- Montagu, Lady Mary Wortley

People commonly educate their children as they build their houses, according to some plan they think beautiful, without considering whether it is suited to the purposes for which they are designed.

- Montagu, Lady Mary Wortley

Life is too short for a long story.

- Montagu, Lady Mary Wortley

I have never, in all my various travels, seen but two sorts of people I mean men and women, who always have been, and ever will be, the same. The same vices and the same follies have been the fruit of all ages, though sometimes under different names.

- Montagu, Lady Mary Wortley

The use of knowledge in our sex (beside the amusement of solitude) is to moderate the passions and learn to be contented with a small expense, which are the certain effects of a studious life and, it may be, preferable even to that fame which men have engrossed to themselves and will not suffer us to share.

- Montagu, Lady Mary Wortley

To always be loved one must ever be agreeable.

- Montagu, Lady Mary Wortley

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