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All men make mistakes, but only wise men learn from their mistakes.

- Churchill, Winston

He is a modest little man who has a good deal to be modest about.

- Churchill, Winston

There are few virtues that the Poles do not possess and there are few errors they have ever avoided.

- Churchill, Winston

The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.

- Churchill, Winston

Some men change their party for the sake of their principles; others their principles for the sake of their party.

- Churchill, Winston

Any 20 year-old who isn't a liberal doesn't have a heart, and any 40 year-old who isn't a conservative doesn't have a brain.

- Churchill, Winston

When the eagles are silent the parrots begin to jabber.

- Churchill, Winston

He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire.

- Churchill, Winston

One woman who managed to corner him, the story runs, said in a treacly gushing voice:Doesnt it thrill you, Mr. Churchill, to know that every time you make a speech the hall is packed to overflowing?It is quite flattering, Mr. Churchill replied, but whenever I feel this way I always remember that if instead of making a political speech I was being hanged, the crowd would be twice as big.

- Churchill, Winston

When pygmies throw long shadows, it is late in the evening.

- Hancke, Johan

France is the country where the money falls apart and you can't tear the toilet paper.

- Wilder, Billy

If you are going to tell people the truth, be funny or they will kill you.

- Wilder, Billy

In those days he was wiser than he is now -- he used frequently to take my advice.

- Churchill, Winston

We are happier in many ways when we are old than when we were young. The young sow wild oats. The old grow sage.

- Churchill, Winston

It has been said that Democracy is the worst form of government except all those other forms that have been tried from time to time.

- Churchill, Winston

Golf is a game whose aim is to hit a very small ball into an even smaller hole, with weapons singularly ill-designed for the purpose.

- Churchill, Winston

Many forms of Government have been tried, and will be tried in this world of sin and woe. No one pretends that democracy is perfect or all-wise. Indeed, it has been said that democracy is the worst form of Government except all those others that have been tried from time to time.

- Churchill, Winston

The whole history of the world is summed up in the fact that, when nations are strong,

they are not always just, and when they wish to be just, they are no longer strong.

- Churchill, Winston

Logic is a poor guide compared with custom.

- Churchill, Winston

The empires of the futures are the empires of the mind.

- Churchill, Winston

I'm just preparing my impromptu remarks.

- Churchill, Winston

In war you can be killed only once. In politics, many times.

- Churchill, Winston

Solitary trees, if they grow at all, grow strong.

- Churchill, Winston

If you have an important point to make, don't try to be subtle or clever. Use the pile driver. Hit the point once. Then come back and hit it again. Then hit it a third time; a tremendous whack.

- Churchill, Winston

Some people regard private enterprise as a predatory tiger to be shot. Others look on it as a cow they can milk. Not enough people see it as a healthy horse, pulling a sturdy wagon.

- Churchill, Winston

The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of blessings; the inherent vice of socialism is the equal sharing of miseries.

- Churchill, Winston

To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.

- Churchill, Winston

Too often the strong, silent man is silent only because he does not know what to say, and is reputed strong only because he has remained silent.

- Churchill, Winston

Nothing is more costly, nothing is more sterile, than vengeance.

- Churchill, Winston

If I was your wife Sir, I'd poison you! Madam, if you were my wife, I'd let you!

- Churchill, Winston

There is no finer investment for any community than putting milk into babies.

- Churchill, Winston

Once upon a time all the animals in the zoo decided that they would disarm, and they arranged to have a conference to arrange the matter. So the Rhinoceros said when he opened the proceedings that the use of teeth was barbarous and horrible and ought to be strictly prohibited by general consent. Horns, which were mainly defensive weapons, would, of course, have to be allowed. The Buffalo, the Stag, the Porcupine, and even the little Hedgehog all said they would vote with the Rhino, but the Lion and the Tiger took a different view. They defended teeth and even claws, which they described as honourable weapons of immemorial antiquity. The Panther, the Leopard, the Puma, and the whole tribe of small cats all supported the Lion and the Tiger. Then the Bear spoke. He proposed that both teeth and horns should be banned and never used again for fighting by any animal. It would be quite enough if animals were allowed to give each other a good hug when they quarreled. No one could object to that. It was so fraternal, and that would be a great step towards peace. However, all the other animals were very offended with the Bear, and the Turkey fell into a perfect panic. The discussion got so hot and angry, and all those animals began thinking so much about horns and teeth and hugging when they argued about the peaceful intentions that had brought them together that they began to look at one another in a very nasty way. Luckily the keepers were able to calm them down and persuade them to go back quietly to their cages, and they began to feel quite friendly with one another again.

- Churchill, Winston

The eagle has ceased to scream, but the parrots will now begin to chatter. The war of the giants is over and the pigmies will now start to squabble.

- Churchill, Winston

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