

Alfred Doblin

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But the main things about a man are his eyes and his feet. He should be able to see the world and go after it.

~Alfred Doblin

And if you ask again whether there is any justice in the world, you'll have to be satisfied with the reply: Not for the time being; at any rate, not up to this Friday.

~Alfred Doblin

I read like the flame reads the wood.

~Alfred Doblin

Writing is not chewing your nails and picking your teeth, but a matter of public interest.

~Alfred Doblin

Cultivate your Futurism. I'll cultivate my Döblinism.

~Alfred Doblin

No country is so peaceful as the one that leads into death. Life arches above one's head like a bridgespan, and below it flows the water, carries the boat, takes it further.

~Alfred Doblin

You shouldn't be a big shot about your fate. I'm an enemy of Destiny, I'm not a Greek, I'm a Berliner.

~Alfred Doblin

The cities are the principal home and seat of the human group. They are the coral colony for Man, the collective being.

~Alfred Doblin

Much unhappiness comes from walking alone. When there are several, it's somewhat different. I must get into the habit of listening to others,

for what the others say concerns me, too.

~Alfred Doblin

One encounters very capable fathers abashed by their piano-playing daughters. Three measures of Schumann make them red with embarrassment.

~Alfred Doblin

My books, at any rate, deserved to be burned.

~Alfred Doblin

The world is made of sugar and dirt.

~Alfred Doblin

The German Reich is a Republic, and whoever doesn't believe it gets one in the neck.

~Alfred Doblin

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