

# Anthony Trollope

## Quotes

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An author must be nothing if he do not love truth; a barrister must be nothing if he do.

~Anthony Trollope

When the ivy has found its tower, when the delicate creeper has found its strong wall, we know how the parasite plants grow and prosper.

~Anthony Trollope

Never think that you're not good enough yourself. A man should never think that. People will take you very much at your own reckoning.

~Anthony Trollope

Fame is a skittish jade, more fickle even than Fortune, and apt to shy, and bolt, and plunge away on very trifling causes.

~Anthony Trollope

What on earth could be more luxurious than a sofa, a book, and a cup of coffee?...Was ever anything so civil?

~Anthony Trollope

The habit of reading is the only one I know in which there is no alloy. It lasts when all other pleasures fade.

~Anthony Trollope

There is no way of writing well and also of writing easily.

~Anthony Trollope

It has now become the doctrine of a large clan of politicians that political honesty is unnecessary, slow, subversive of a man's interests, and incompatible with quick onward movement.

~Anthony Trollope

There is no royal road to learning; no short cut to the acquirement of any art.

~Anthony Trollope

Love is like any other luxury. You have no right to it unless you can afford it.

~Anthony Trollope

Late hours, nocturnal cigars, and midnight drinkings, pleasurable though they may be, consume too quickly the free-flowing lamps of youth, and are fatal at once to the husbanded candle-ends of age.

~Anthony Trollope

Nobody holds a good opinion of a man who has a low opinion of himself.

~Anthony Trollope

Life is so unlike theory.

~Anthony Trollope

Till we can become divine, we must be content to be human, lest in our hurry for change we sink to something lower.

~Anthony Trollope

But then in novels the most indifferent hero comes out right at last. Some god comes out of a theatrical cloud and leaves the poor devil ten thousand-a-year and a title.

~Anthony Trollope

One can only pour out of a jug that which is in it.

~Anthony Trollope

No man thinks there is much ado about nothing when the ado is about himself.

~Anthony Trollope

Men who can succeed in deceiving no one else, will succeed at last in deceiving themselves.

~Anthony Trollope

There are some achievements which are never done in the presence of those who hear of them. Catching salmon is one, and working all night is another.

~Anthony Trollope

In these days a man is nobody unless his biography is kept so far posted up that it may be ready for the national breakfast-table on the morning after his demise.

~Anthony Trollope

Three hours a day will produce as much as a man ought to write.

~Anthony Trollope

She was as one who, in madness, was resolute to throw herself from a precipice, but to whom some remnant of sanity remained which forced her to seek those who would save her from herself.

~Anthony Trollope

Those who have courage to love should have courage to suffer.

~Anthony Trollope

A small daily task, if it be really daily, will beat the labours of a spasmodic Hercules.

~Anthony Trollope

Words spoken cannot be recalled, and many a man and many a woman who has spoken a word at once regretted, are far too proud to express that regret.

~Anthony Trollope

I doubt whether any girl would be satisfied with her lover's mind if she knew the whole of it.

~Anthony Trollope

I think the greatest rogues are they who talk most of their honesty.

~Anthony Trollope

The best way to be thankful is to use the goods the gods provide you.

~Anthony Trollope

The greatest mistake any man ever made is to suppose that the good things of the world are not worth the winning.

~Anthony Trollope

Beware of creating tedium!

~Anthony Trollope

Let no man boast himself that he has got through the perils of winter till at least the seventh of May.

~Anthony Trollope

Don't let love interfere with your appetite. It never does with mine.

~Anthony Trollope

I do like a little romance... just a sniff, as I call it, of the rocks and valleys. Of course, bread-and-cheese is the real thing. The rocks and valleys are no good at all, if you haven't got that.

~Anthony Trollope

There is no happiness in love, except at the end of an English novel.

~Anthony Trollope

Above all else, never think you're not good enough.

~Anthony Trollope

Men are cowards before women until they become tyrants.

~Anthony Trollope

Success is the necessary misfortune of life, but it is only to the very unfortunate that it comes early.

~Anthony Trollope

There is no human bliss equal to twelve hours of work with only six hours in which to do it.

~Anthony Trollope

It is a grand thing to rise in the world. The ambition to do so is the very salt of the earth. It is the parent of all enterprise, and the cause of all improvement.

~Anthony Trollope

When once a woman is married she should be regarded as having thrown off her allegiance to her own sex. She is sure to be treacherous at any rate in one direction.

~Anthony Trollope

But who ever yet was offered a secret and declined it?

~Anthony Trollope

Of all the needs a book has the chief need is that it be readable.

~Anthony Trollope

The man who worships mere wealth is a snob.

~Anthony Trollope

After money in the bank, a grudge is the next best thing.

~Anthony Trollope

And though it is much to be a nobleman, it is more to be a gentleman.

~Anthony Trollope

As to that leisure evening of life, I must say that I do not want it. I can conceive of no contentment of which toil is not to be the immediate parent.

~Anthony Trollope

Of all hatreds that the world produces, a wife's hatred for her husband, when she does hate him, is the strongest.

~Anthony Trollope

This at least should be a rule through the letter-writing world: that no angry letter be posted till four-and-twenty hours will have elapsed since it was written.

~Anthony Trollope

I hold that gentleman to be the best-dressed whose dress no one observes.

~Anthony Trollope

Equality would be a heaven, if we could attain it.

~Anthony Trollope

What man thinks of changing himself so as to suit his wife? And yet men expect that women shall put on altogether new characters when they are married, and girls think that they can do so.

~Anthony Trollope

Book love... is your pass to the greatest, the purest, and the most perfect pleasure that God has prepared for His creatures.

~Anthony Trollope

Your man with a thin skin, a vehement ambition, a scrupulous conscience, and a sanguine desire for rapid improvement is never a

happy, and seldom a fortunate politician.

~Anthony Trollope

Many people talk much, and then very many people talk very much more.

~Anthony Trollope

A man's mind will very gradually refuse to make itself up until it is driven and compelled by emergency.

~Anthony Trollope

Poverty, to be picturesque, should be rural. Suburban misery is as hideous as it is pitiable.

~Anthony Trollope

I have no ambition to surprise my reader. Castles with unknown passages are not compatible with my homely muse.

~Anthony Trollope

A man's love, till it has been chastened and fastened by the feeling of duty which marriage brings with it, is instigated mainly by the difficulty of pursuit.

~Anthony Trollope

It has become a certainty now that if you will only advertise sufficiently you may make a fortune by selling anything.

~Anthony Trollope

Neither money nor position can atone to me for low birth.

~Anthony Trollope

I cannot hold with those who wish to put down the insignificant chatter of the world.

~Anthony Trollope



It's dogged as does it. It ain't thinking about it.

~Anthony Trollope

No other American city is so intensely American as New York.

~Anthony Trollope

Passionate love, I take it, rarely lasts long, and is very troublesome while it does last. Mutual esteem is very much more valuable.

~Anthony Trollope

Cham is the only thing to screw one up when one is down a peg.

~Anthony Trollope

People seen by the mind are exactly different to things seen by the eye. They grow smaller and smaller as you come nearer down to them, whereas things become bigger.

~Anthony Trollope

A husband is very much like a house or a horse.

~Anthony Trollope

The happiest man is he, who being above the troubles which money brings, has his hands the fullest of work.

~Anthony Trollope

I never knew a government yet that wanted to do anything.

~Anthony Trollope

When a man is ill nothing is so important to him as his own illness.

~Anthony Trollope

As to happiness in this life it is hardly compatible with that diminished respect which ever attends the relinquishing of labour.

~Anthony Trollope

If we wish ourselves to be high, we should treat that which is over us as high.

~Anthony Trollope

It is hard to rescue a man from the slough of luxury and idleness combined. If anything can do it, it is a cradle filled annually.

~Anthony Trollope

Credit is a matter so subtle in its essence, that, as it may be obtained almost without reason, so, without reason, may it be made to melt away.

~Anthony Trollope

Gentlemen lacking substantial sympathy with their leader found it to be comfortable to deceive themselves, and raise their hearts at the same time by the easy enthusiasm of noise.

~Anthony Trollope

It has been the great fault of our politicians that they have all wanted to do something.

~Anthony Trollope

The satirist who writes nothing but satire should write but little - or it will seem that his satire springs rather from his own caustic nature than from the sins of the world in which he lives.

~Anthony Trollope

It may almost be a question whether such wisdom as many of us have in our mature years has not come from the dying out of the power of temptation, rather than as the results of thought and resolution.

~Anthony Trollope

The good and the bad mix themselves so thoroughly in our thoughts, even in our aspirations, that we must look for excellence rather in

overcoming evil than in freeing ourselves from its influence.

~Anthony Trollope

The end of a novel, like the end of a children's dinner-party, must be made up of sweetmeats and sugar-plums.

~Anthony Trollope

He must have known me if he had seen me as he was wont to see me, for he was in the habit of flogging me constantly. Perhaps he did not recognize me by my face.

~Anthony Trollope

Satire, though it may exaggerate the vice it lashes, is not justified in creating it in order that it may be lashed.

~Anthony Trollope

It is the test of a novel writer's art that he conceal his snake-in-the-grass; but the reader may be sure that it is always there.

~Anthony Trollope

There is nothing more tyrannical than a strong popular feeling among a democratic people.

~Anthony Trollope

There is no road to wealth so easy and respectable as that of matrimony.

~Anthony Trollope

I believe journalism is coming to be regarded as quite a respectable occupation for gentlemen nowadays.

~Anthony Trollope

When one wants to be natural, of necessity one becomes the reverse of natural.

~Anthony Trollope

It is easy to love one's enemy when one is making fine speeches; but so difficult to do so in the actual everyday work of life.

~Anthony Trollope

My belief of book writing is much the same as my belief as to shoemaking. The man who will work the hardest at it, and will work with the most honest purpose, will work the best.

~Anthony Trollope

A pleasant letter I hold to be the pleasantest thing that this world has to give.

~Anthony Trollope

Oxford is the most dangerous place to which a young man can be sent.

~Anthony Trollope

I ain't a bit ashamed of anything.

~Anthony Trollope

But mad people never die. That's a well-known fact. They've nothing to trouble them, and they live for ever.

~Anthony Trollope

My sweetheart is to me more than a coined hemisphere.

~Anthony Trollope

They who do not understand that a man may be brought to hope that which of all things is the most grievous to him, have not observed with sufficient closeness the perversity of the human mind.

~Anthony Trollope

When it comes to money nobody should give up anything.

~Anthony Trollope

It is a comfortable feeling to know that you stand on your own ground. Land is about the only thing that can't fly away.

~Anthony Trollope

Of Dickens' style it is impossible to speak in praise. It is jerky, ungrammatical, and created by himself in defiance of rules... No young novelist should ever dare to imitate the style of Dickens.

~Anthony Trollope

I am ready to obey as a child; ;but, not being a child, I think I ought to have a reason.

~Anthony Trollope

The double pleasure of pulling down an opponent, and of raising oneself, is the charm of a politician's life.

~Anthony Trollope

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