

Arthur Machen

Quotes

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Every branch of human knowledge, if traced up to its source and final principles, vanishes into mystery.

~Arthur Machen

We lead two lives, and the half of our soul is madness, and half heaven is lit by a black sun. I say I am a man, is the other that hides in me?

~Arthur Machen

In every grain of wheat there lies hidden the soul of a star.

~Arthur Machen

I dream in fire but work in clay.

~Arthur Machen

It was better, he thought, to fail in attempting exquisite things than to succeed in the department of the utterly contemptible.

~Arthur Machen

Old stories often turn out to be true.

~Arthur Machen

If a man dreams that he has committed a sin before which the sun hid his face, it is often safe to conjecture that, in sheer forgetfulness, he wore a red tie, or brown boots with evening dress.

~Arthur Machen

There are strange things lost and forgotten in obscure corners of the newspaper.

~Arthur Machen

silence is not weakness and decency is not pride

~Arthur Machen

The saint endeavors to recover a gift which he has lost; the sinner tries

to obtain something which was never his. In brief, he repeats the Fall.

~Arthur Machen

Now, everybody, I suppose, is aware that in recent years the silly business of divination by dreams has ceased to be a joke and has become a very serious science.

~Arthur Machen

For, usually and fitly, the presence of an introduction is held to imply that there is something of consequence and importance to be introduced.

~Arthur Machen

And it is utterly true that he who cannot find wonder, mystery, awe, the sense of a new world and an undiscovered realm in the places by the Gray's Inn Road will never find these secrets elsewhere.

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