

Charles Dudley Warner Quotes

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The excellence of a gift lies in its appropriateness rather than in its value

~Charles Dudley Warner

Simplicity is making the journey of this life with just baggage enough.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Goodness comes out of people who bask in the sun, as it does out of a sweet apple roasted before the fire.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Lettuce is like conversation; it must be fresh and crisp, so sparkling that you scarcely notice the bitter in it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

It is fortunate that each generation does not comprehend its own ignorance. We are thus enabled to call our ancestors barbarous.

~Charles Dudley Warner

There is no moment of delight in any pilgrimage like the beginning of it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

To own a bit of ground, to scratch it with a hoe, to plant seeds, and watch the renewal of life - this is the commonest delight of the race, the most satisfactory thing a man can do.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Mud-pies gratify one of our first and best instincts. So long as we are dirty, we are pure.

~Charles Dudley Warner

A cynic might suggest as the motto of modern life this simple legend-"just as good as the real.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Perhaps nobody ever accomplishes all that he feels lies in him to do; but nearly every one who tries his power touches the walls of his being.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Nature is, in fact, a suggester of uneasiness, a promoter of pilgrimages and of excursions of the fancy which never come to any satisfactory haven.

~Charles Dudley Warner

People always overdo the matter when they attempt deception.

~Charles Dudley Warner

To poke a wood fire is more solid enjoyment than almost anything else in the world.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Regrets are idle; yet history is one long regret. Everything might have turned out so differently.

~Charles Dudley Warner

We are half ruined by conformity, but we should be wholly ruined without it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

There is nothing that disgusts a man like getting beaten at chess by a woman.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The man who has planted a garden feels that he has done something for the good of the world.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Public opinion is stronger than the legislature, and nearly as strong as

the ten commandments.

~Charles Dudley Warner

It is difficult to be emphatic when no one is emphatic on the other side.

~Charles Dudley Warner

A well known American writer said once that, while everybody talked about the weather, nobody seemed to do anything about it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Happy is said to be the family which can eat onions together. They are, for the time being, separate, from the world, and have a harmony of aspiration.

~Charles Dudley Warner

What a man needs in gardening is a cast-iron back, with a hinge in it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Blessed be agriculture! if one does not have too much of it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

A woman set on anything will walk right through the moral crockery without wincing.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The boy who expects every morning to open into a new world finds that today is like yesterday, but he believes tomorrow will be different.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Nothing shows one who his friends are like prosperity and ripe fruit.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Politics make strange bedfellows.

~Charles Dudley Warner

One of the best things in the world to be is a boy; it requires no experience, but needs some practice to be a good one

~Charles Dudley Warner

Nothing is worth reading that does not require an alert mind.

~Charles Dudley Warner

A great artist can paint a great picture on a small canvas.

~Charles Dudley Warner

A garden is an awful responsibility. You never know what you may be aiding to grow in it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Hoe while it is spring, and enjoy the best anticipations. It is not much matter if things do not turn out well.

~Charles Dudley Warner

How many wars have been caused by fits of indigestion, and how many more dynasties have been upset by the love of woman than by the hate of man?

~Charles Dudley Warner

The tenure of a literary reputation is the most uncertain and fluctuating of all.

~Charles Dudley Warner

I am convinced that the majority of people would be generous from selfish motives, if they had the opportunity.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The thing generally raised on city land is taxes.

~Charles Dudley Warner

I do not know the names of all the weeds and plants, I have to do as Adam did in his garden... name things as I find them.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The most popular persons are those who take the world as it is who find the least fault.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The love of dirt is among the earliest of passions, as it is the latest.

~Charles Dudley Warner

What small potatoes we all are, compared with what we might be!

~Charles Dudley Warner

There was never a nation that became great until it came to the knowledge that it had nowhere in the world to go for help.

~Charles Dudley Warner

There is no such thing as absolute value in this world. You can only estimate what a thing is worth to you.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The world so quickly adjusts itself after any loss, that the return of the departed would nearly always throw it, even the circle most interested, into confusion.

~Charles Dudley Warner

A boy has a natural genius for combining business with pleasure.

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Each age has its choice of the death it will die.

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There is but one pleasure in life equal to that of being called on to make an after-dinner speech, and that is not being called on to make one.

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Snobbery, being an aspiring failing, is sometimes the prophecy of better things.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Woman is perpetual revolution, and is that element in the world which continually destroys and recreates.

~Charles Dudley Warner

One of the advantages of pure congregational singing is that you can join in the singing whether you have a voice or not. The disadvantage is that your neighbor can do the same.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The stranger who receives the rare gift of human kindness holds its value in his heart forever.

~Charles Dudley Warner

One discovers a friend by chance, and cannot but feel regret that 20 or 30 years of life may have been spent without the least knowledge of him.

~Charles Dudley Warner

You want to hate somebody, if you can, just to keep your powers of discrimination bright, and to save yourself from becoming a mere mush of good-nature.

~Charles Dudley Warner

It is well known that no person who regards his reputation will ever kill a

trout with anything but a fly. It requires some training on the part of the trout to take to this method.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The wise man does not permit himself to set up even in his own mind any comparisons of his friends. His friendship is capable of going to extremes with many people, evoked as it is by many qualities.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Nature is entirely indifferent to any reform. She perpetuates a fault as persistently as a virtue.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Memory has the singular characteristic of recalling in a friend absent, as in a journey long past, only that which is agreeable.

~Charles Dudley Warner

I know that unremitting attention to business is the price of success, but I don't know what success is.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Hoeing in the garden on a bright, soft May day, when you are not obligated to, is nearly equal to the delight of going trouting.

~Charles Dudley Warner

The world is full of poetry as the earth is of pay-dirt; one only needs to know how to strike it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

There is no beauty like that which was spoiled by an accident; no accomplishments and graces are so to be envied as those that circumstances rudely hindered the development of.

~Charles Dudley Warner

There is life in the ground; it goes into the seeds and also when it is stirred up goes into the man who stirs it.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Isolation breeds conceit.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Plots are no more exhausted than men are. Every man is a new creation, and combinations are simply endless.

~Charles Dudley Warner

It is only the fools who keep straining at high C all their lives.

~Charles Dudley Warner

Let us celebrate the soil. Most men toil that they may own a piece of it; they measure their success in life by their ability to buy it.

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