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There are not many original shapes or silhouettes -- only a million variations.

~Charles James

The standard formulation on remedy is that it ought to cure past violations and prevent their recurrence. That's what antitrust is all about.

~Charles James

A great designer does not seek acceptance. He challenges popularity, and by the force of his convictions renders popular in the end what the public hates at first sight.

~Charles James

Bonfire of the Vanities: The lesson of that book is, never start believing your own press.

~Charles James

Fashion, after all, is magic and miracleâ€lintended to bestow proportion and beauty where both have been lost or faded with the years.

~Charles James

All creative work begins by doing something with the hands. Creation is simply a problem and design is the way out.

~Charles James

Forget all you know & learn something every day.

~Charles James

Cut in dressmaking is like grammar in language. A good design should be like a well made sentence and it should only express one idea at a time.

~Charles James

All my seams have meaning - they emphasize something about the body.

~Charles James

I spent my life making fashion an art form.

~Charles James

We who have been ahead in STYLE have usually been also ahead in our thinking.

~Charles James

The best design reveals itself during a long fatiguing process of digging into the subconscious.

~Charles James

So perverse is mankind that every nationality prefers to be misgoverned by its own people than to be well ruled by another

~Charles James

Brancusi has his medium: Picasso, Faulkner, Shostakovich, theirs. Mine happens to be cloth.

~Charles James

My dresses help women discover figures they didn't know they had.

~Charles James

He that is conscious of guilt cannot bear the innocence of others:So they will try to reduce all others to their own level.

~Charles James

The best way to quiet a country is a good thrashing, followed by great kindness afterwards. Even the wildest chaps are thus tamed.

~Charles James

In fashion even what seems most fragile must be built on cement.

~Charles James

You should know that my most important contribution was always in tailoring; coats, jackets, wool dressesâ€l so few of which went into the magazines.

~Charles James

Marriage: The most expensive way to get your laundry done.

~Charles James

The human mind is never better disposed to gratitude and attachment than when softened by fear.

~Charles James

I recognize that virtually every company that comes in here has a perspective. It's often not difficult to understand why they have the perspective that they have.

~Charles James

It is intolerable that it should be in the power of one blockhead to do so much mischief.

~Charles James

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