

Fanny Kemble Quotes

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Character, Lying, Hands, Eye, Has Beens, Wife, Simplicity, Cease, Oneness,
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I want to do everything in the world that can be done.

~Fanny Kemble

[On disagreeing with her husband about his slave-holding:] I cannot give my conscience into the keeping of another human being or submit the actions dictated by my conscience to their will.

~Fanny Kemble

What shall I do with all the days and hours That must be counted ere I see thy face? How shall I charm the interval that lowers Between this time and that sweet time of grace?

~Fanny Kemble

When marriage is what it ought to be, it is indeed the very happiest condition of existence.

~Fanny Kemble

... it's always determined characters who make the greatest fools.

~Fanny Kemble

An actor's life is the shadow of a cloud, the echo of a sound, the memory of a dream, nothing come of nothing. The finest actor does not create, he is but a translator of another man's work.

~Fanny Kemble

Simplicity is a great element of good breeding.

~Fanny Kemble

I have been taking my daily walk round the island, and visited the sugar mill and the threshing mill again.

~Fanny Kemble

Carols of gladness ring from every tree.

~Fanny Kemble

[On John Brown:] The poor wretch is hanged, but from his grave a root of bitterness will spring, the fruit of which at no distant day may be disunion and civil war.

~Fanny Kemble

Those that we love never alter, unless we cease to love them.

~Fanny Kemble

Yesterday morning I amused myself with an exercise of a talent I once possessed, but have so neglected that my performance might almost be called an experiment. I cut out a dress for one of the women.

~Fanny Kemble

The death I should prefer would be to break my neck off the back of a good horse at a full gallop on a fine day.

~Fanny Kemble

Place, time, life, death, earth, heaven are divisions and distinctions we make, like the imaginary lines we trace upon the surface of the globe.

~Fanny Kemble

They frequently find the truth who do not seek it, they who do, frequently lose it.

~Fanny Kemble

Modesty is a diamond setting to female beauty.

~Fanny Kemble

cultivate in young minds an equal love of the good, the beautiful and the absurd; most people's lives are too lead-colored to lose the smallest twinkle of light from a flash of nonsense.

~Fanny Kemble

I have been out again on the river, rowing. I find nothing new.

~Fanny Kemble

Better trust all, and be deceived, And weep that trust and that deceiving, Than doubt one heart, that if believed Had blessed one's life with true believing.

~Fanny Kemble

In the north we could not hope to keep the worst and poorest servant for a single day in the wretched discomfort in which our negro servants are forced habitually to live.

~Fanny Kemble

The master's irresponsible power has no such bound.

~Fanny Kemble

Assuredly of all earthly conditions uncertainty is the most unblest.

~Fanny Kemble

The drama is the looking-glass in which we see the hideousness of vice and the beauties of virtue.

~Fanny Kemble

Maids must be wives, and mothers, to fulfil Th' entire and holiest end of woman's being.

~Fanny Kemble

Your theory of partial immortality is abhorrent to me. I would rather disbelieve in the immortality of my own soul than suppose the boon given to me was withheld from any of my fellow creatures.

~Fanny Kemble

The spring is already here with her hands full of flowers.

~Fanny Kemble

The large and rapid fortunes by which vulgar and ignorant people become possessed of splendid houses, splendidly furnished, do not of course, give them the feelings and manners of gentle folks.

~Fanny Kemble

children are made of eyes and ears, and nothing, however minute, escapes their microscopic observation.

~Fanny Kemble

Rome ... seems to me the place in the world where one can best dispense with happiness.

~Fanny Kemble

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