

Gene Stratton-Porter Quotes

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If you are lazy, and accept your lot, you may live in it. If you are willing to work, you can write your name anywhere you choose.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

How a big majority of book critics and authors have come to believe and to teach that no book is true to life unless it is true to the worst in life, God knows.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

I write as the birds sing, because I must, and usually from the same source of inspiration.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

You cannot write on the heart of another what you do not feel yourself.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Nature can be trusted to work her own miracle in the heart of any man whose daily task keeps him alone among her sights, sounds and silences.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Be sure that you are right; and then go ahead.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Nature always levies her tribute.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

The seasons run with swift feet.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

there was nothing in the whole world so dreadful as the power of riches wrongly used.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

In the economy of nature nothing is ever lost. I cannot believe that the soul of man shall prove the one exception

~Gene Stratton-Porter

The wages of sin are the hardest debts on earth to pay, and they are always collected at inconvenient times and unexpected places.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

the friend in need is the one who is the friend in deed; ... if people were not friends in need, there was every likelihood that they never would be friends again in any conditions that might obtain.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

It really seems as if failure and hardship make more of a human being of folks than success.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

We never know the timber of a man's soul until something cuts into him deeply and brings the grain out strong. You've the making of a mighty fine piece of furniture.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Do you know that being a stranger is the hardest thing that can happen to any one in all this world?

~Gene Stratton-Porter

we know by the odour that occasionally we are visited by skunks, which are not poetic but very beautiful.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

I do not know why it is the fate of the world always to want something different from what life gives them.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

a trouble shared is a trouble half endured.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Money was their God; work their religion.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

the occasional cries of a lost loon, strayed from its flock in northern migration, fill the swamp with sounds of wailing.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

My publishers will make any kind of a beautiful book I design and send in to them, but ... For poetry they have less use than a rooster would have for skates.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Every intoxicating delight of early spring was in the air. The breeze that fanned her cheek was laden with subtle perfume and the crisp, fresh odor of unfolding leaves.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

no one in the whole world knows all a man's bignesses and all his littlenesses as his wife does.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Tears were a blessing; they were a relief; they did wash the ache from the heart, ease brain strain, and encourage the soul.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

it takes the very wisest person there is to know when to talk, and when to keep still.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

To my way of thinking and working, the greatest service a piece of fiction can do any reader is to force him to lay it down with a higher

ideal of life than he had when he took it up.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

But Aunt Margaret doesn't like boys," objected Elnora. "Well, she likes me, and I used to be a boy.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Sometimes it seems to me that the more we get hurt in this world the decenter it makes us.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

The world is full of happy people but no one ever hears of them. You have to fight and make a scandal to get in the papers. No one knows about all the happy people.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

What was money that it should make such dreadful things of men and women?

~Gene Stratton-Porter

When any man accumulates more than he can earn with his own hands, he begins to enrich himself at the expense of the youth, the sweat, the blood, the joy of his fellow men.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Being dead was one thing, getting ready for a wedding another.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

I don't so much mind the falling, but I do seem to select the hardest spots to light on.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

The Cardinal ... It was as if a pulsing heart of flame passed by when he came winging through the orchard.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

Of two evils, I always choose the lesser.

~Gene Stratton-Porter

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