

Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon Quotes

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Knowledge, Style, Mean, Genius, Patience, Ocean, Book, Self, Intellectual*

Hold on; hold fast; hold out. Patience is genius.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Genius is simply patience carried to the extreme.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Writing well is at one and the same time good thinking, good feeling, and good expression; it is having wit, soul, and taste, all together.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

In Ireland, there are the same fossils, the same shells and the same sea bodies, as appear in America, and some of them are found in no other part of Europe.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Genius is only a greater aptitude for patience.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

The discoveries that one can make with the microscope amount to very little, for one sees with the mind's eye and without the microscope the real existence of all these little beings.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

There is nothing good in love but the physical part.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Time is the great workman of Nature.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Style is the essence of man

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

The cat is the only animal which accepts the comforts but rejects the bondage of domesticity.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

One can descend by imperceptible degree from the most perfect creature to the most shapeless matter, from the best-organised animal to the roughest mineral.

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We can only penetrate the rind of the earth.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Although the works of the Creator may be in themselves all equally perfect, the animal is, as I see it, the most complete work of nature, and man is her masterpiece.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Those who write as they speak, even though they speak well, write badly.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Rassemblons des faits pour nous donner des idées. Let us gather facts in order to get ourselves thinking.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

The human mind cannot create anything. It produces nothing until having been fertilized by experience and meditation; its acquisitions are the germs of its production.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

The style is the man himself.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

The dog has no ambition, no self-interest, no desire for vengeance, no fear other than that of displeasing.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

To be and to think are one and the same for us.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Man thinks, and at once becomes the master of the beings that do not think.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

To write well is to think well, to feel well, and to render well; it is to possess at once intellect, soul, and taste.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

Style supposes the reunion and the exercise of all the intellectual faculties. The style is the man.

~Georges-Louis Leclerc, Comte de Buffon

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