

Goldwin Smith

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Personality is lower than partiality.

~Goldwin Smith

Above all nations is humanity.

~Goldwin Smith

We Jews regard our race as superior to all humanity, and look forward, not to its ultimate union with other races, but to its triumph over them.

~Goldwin Smith

The novelist must look on humanity without partiality or prejudice. His sympathy, like that of the historian, must be unbounded, and untainted by sect or party.

~Goldwin Smith

No student of history can fail to see the moral interest of the Middle Ages, any more than an artist can fail to see their aesthetic interest.

~Goldwin Smith

There are the manufacturing multitudes of England; they must have work, and find markets for their work; if machines and the Black Country are ugly, famine would be uglier still.

~Goldwin Smith

Ottawa - a sub-arctic lumber-village converted by royal mandate into a political cockpit.

~Goldwin Smith

The Roman legions were formed in the first instance of citizen soldiers, who yet had been made to submit to a rigid discipline, and to feel that in that submission lay their strength.

~Goldwin Smith

Art is expression, and to have high expression you must have

something high to express.

~Goldwin Smith

It is evident that in the period designated as that of the kings, when Rome commenced her career of conquest, she was, for that time and country, a great and wealthy city.

~Goldwin Smith

As to London we must console ourselves with the thought that if life outside is less poetic than it was in the days of old, inwardly its poetry is much deeper.

~Goldwin Smith

America is supposed to be given over to ugliness. There are a good many ugly things there and the ugliest are the most pretentious.

~Goldwin Smith

The materials of the novelist must be real; they must be gathered from the field of humanity by his actual observation.

~Goldwin Smith

Yet for my part, deeply as I am moved by the religious architecture of the Middle Ages, I cannot honestly say that I ever felt the slightest emotion in any modern Gothic church.

~Goldwin Smith

Rome was great in arms, in government, in law.

~Goldwin Smith

The natural barriers between England and Scotland were not sufficient to prevent the extension of the Saxon settlements and kingdoms across the border.

~Goldwin Smith

The insular arrogance of the English character is a commonplace joke.

~Goldwin Smith

The father of confederation is deadlock.

~Goldwin Smith

Rich by nature, poor by policy' might be written over Canada's door.

~Goldwin Smith

Every one who has a heart, however ignorant of architecture he may be, feels the transcendent beauty and poetry of the mediaeval churches.

~Goldwin Smith

Ancient history, besides the still unequalled excellence of the writers, is the best instrument for cultivating the historical sense.

~Goldwin Smith

In my youth, geology was nervously striving to accommodate itself to Genesis. Now it is Genesis that is striving to accommodate itself to geology.

~Goldwin Smith

Never had there been such an attempt to make conquest the servant of civilization. About keeping India there is no question. England has a real duty there.

~Goldwin Smith

Who can doubt that between the English and the French, between the Scotch and the Irish, there are differences of character which have profoundly affected and still affect the course of history?

~Goldwin Smith

Canada is said to have got its name from the two Spanish words aca

and nada, signifying 'there is nothing here.'

~Goldwin Smith

The mighty and supreme Jesus, who was to transfigure all humanity by his divine wit and grace-this Jesus has flown.

~Goldwin Smith

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