

Jane Welsh Carlyle

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Never does one feel oneself so utterly helpless as in trying to speak comfort for great bereavement.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

The only thing that makes one place more attractive to me than another is the quantity of heart I find in it.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

In spite of the honestest efforts to annihilate my I-ity, or merge it in what the world doubtless considers my better half, I still find myself a self-subsisting and alas! self-seeking me.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

On earth the living have much to bear; the difference is chiefly in the manner of bearing, and my manner of bearing is far from being the best.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

Instead of boiling up individuals into the species, I would draw a chalk circle round every individuality, and preach to it to keep within that, and preserve and cultivate its identity.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

Time is the only comforter for the loss of a mother.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

When one has been threatened with a great injustice, one accepts a smaller as a favour.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

the less one does, as I long ago observed, the less one can find time to do.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

I am not at all the sort of person you and I took me for.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

The glittering baits of titles and honours are only for children and fools.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

If they had said that the sun or the moon had gone out of the heavens, it could not have struck me with the idea of a more awful and dreary blank in creation than the words: Byron is dead!

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

People who are so dreadfully "devoted" to their wives are so apt, from mere habit, to get devoted to other people's wives as well.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

Young children are such nasty little beasts!

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

cracked things often hold out as long as whole things; one takes so much better care of them!

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

The surest way to get a thing in this life is to be prepared for doing without it, to the exclusion even of hope.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

The triumphal-procession-air which, in our manners and customs, is given to marriage at the outset - that singing of Te Deum before the battle has begun.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

all griefs, when there is no bitterness in them, are soothed down by time.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

It is sad and wrong to be so dependent for the life of my life on any human being as I am on you; but I cannot by any force of logic cure myself at this date, when it has become second nature.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

youth is so insatiable of happiness, and has such sublimely insane faith in its own power to make happy and be happy!

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

A fashionable wife! Oh! Never will I be anything so heartless! I have pictured for myself a far higher destiny than this. - Will it ever be more than a picture?

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

The longer one lives in this hard world motherless, the more a mother's loss makes itself felt.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

Not a hundredth part of the thoughts in my head have ever been or ever will be spoken or written "as long as I keep my senses, at least.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

Teaching, I find, is not the most amusing thing on earth; in fact, with a stupid lump for a Pupil, it is about the most irksome.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

I rely on the promise, God is kind to women, fools, and drunk people.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

A positive engagement to marry a certain person at a certain time, at all haps and hazards, I have always considered the most ridiculous thing on earth.

~Jane Welsh Carlyle

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