

Jean Antoine Petit-Senn Quotes

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True courage is like a kite; a contrary wind raises it higher.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

An angry woman is vindictive beyond measure, and hesitates at nothing in her bitterness.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

The hatred we bear our enemies injures their happiness less than our own.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

Every generous illusion of youth leaves a wrinkle as it departs. Experience is the successive disenchanting of the things of life; it is reason enriched with the heart's spoils.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

Happiness is where we find it, but rarely where we seek it.

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Envy, like flame, blackens that which is above it, and which it cannot reach.

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It requires less character to discover the faults of others, than to tolerate them.

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Do you know a young and beautiful woman who is not ready to flirt-just a little?

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Many fortunes, like rivers, have a pure source, but grow muddy as they grow large.

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Loud indignation against vice often stands for virtue in the eyes of bigots.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

The happiness of the tender heart is increased by what it can take away from the wretchedness of others.

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What we gain by experience is not worth that we lose in illusion

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Where talent is a dwarf, self-esteem is a giant.

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In all that surrounds him the egotist sees only the frame of his own portrait.

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Doubt springs from the mind; faith is the daughter of the soul.

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There are some errors so sweet that we repent them only to bring them to memory.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

Conscience whispers, but interest screams aloud.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

There is certainly no beauty on earth which exceeds the natural loveliness of woman.

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The weak-minded man is the slave of his vices and the dupe of his virtues.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

Religion is the hospital of the souls that the world has wounded.

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When our friends are alive, we see the good qualities they lack; dead, we remember only those they possessed.

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The virtuous woman flees from danger; she trusts more to her prudence in shunning it than in her strength to overcome it.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

That prudery which survives youth and beauty resembles a scarecrow left in the fields after harvest.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

In love we are not only liable to betray ourselves, but also the secrets of others.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

It is not what we have but what we enjoy that constitutes our abundance.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

We tire of those pleasures we take, but never of those we give.

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It is almost impossible to find those who admire us entirely lacking in taste.

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In a better world we will find our young years and our old friends.

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Women always find their bitterest foes among their own sex.

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There is a proverb in the South that a woman laughs when she can, and weeps when she pleases.

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No woman dares express all she thinks.

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To endeavor to move by the same discourse hearers who differ in age, sex, position and education is to attempt to open all locks with the same key.

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None despise fame more heartily than those who have no possible claim to it.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

The wonderful fortune of some writers deludes and leads to misery a great number of young people.

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A pedant holds more to instruct us with what he knows, than of what we are ignorant.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

The less power a man has, the more he likes to use it.

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Experience unveils too late the snares laid for youth; it is the white frost which discovers the spider's web when the flies are no longer there to be caught.

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We are told to walk noiselessly through the world, that we may waken neither hatred, nor envy; but, alas! what can we do when they never sleep!

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Perfect servants would be the worst of all for certain masters, whose happiness consists in finding fault with them.

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To protect ourselves against the storms of passion, marriage with a woman is a harbor in the tempest; but with a bad woman it is a tempest in the harbor.

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Pleasure and satiety live next door to each other.

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Adversity, which makes us indulgent to others, renders them severe towards us.

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The grave is a crucible where memory is purified; we only remember a dead friend by those qualities which make him regretted.

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Do not crowd the understanding; it can comprehend so much and no more. A pint pot will not contain the measure of a quart.

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We find ourselves less witty in remembering what we have said than in dreaming of what we would have said.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

Without big words, how could many people say small things?

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

The most exacting jailer is our own conscience.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

Conscience serves us especially to judge of the actions of others.

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It is easy to be virtuous in prospective.

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Of all trifles, titles are the lightest.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

Genius, like a torch, shines less in the broad daylight of the present than in the night of the past.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

Our interests are grains of opium to our consciences, but they only put it to sleep for a terrible awakening.

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Pleasure limps for him. who enjoys it alone.

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Let us respect gray Lairs, but, above all, our own.

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That experience which does not make us better makes us worse.

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Another life, if it were not better than this, would be less a promise than a threat.

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The politics of courtiers resemble their shadows; they cringe and turn with the sun of the day.

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There are wounds of self-love which one does not confess to one's dearest friends.

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Those virtues which cost us dear prove that we love God; those which are easy to us prove that He loves us.

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Public opinion is a courtesan, whom we seek to please without respecting.

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In giving alms, let us rather look at the needs of the poor than his claim to your charity.

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The true worth of a soul is revealed as much by the motive it attributes to the actions of others as by its own deeds.

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We forget the origin of a parvenu if he remembers it; we remember it if he forgets it.

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Nothing for preserving the body like having no heart.

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It is more pitiable once to have been rich than not to be rich now.

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The wisest man may always learn something from the humblest peasant.

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The great chastisement of a knave is not to be known, but to know himself.

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Some delicate matters must be treated like pins, because if they are not seized by the right end, we get pricked.

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Rage is a short-lived fury.

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People who declare that they belong to no party certainly do not belong to ours.

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Our virtues live upon our incomes; our vices consume our capital.

~Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

It is only before those who are glad to hear it, and anxious to spread it, that we find it easy to speak ill of others.

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Age whitens hairs, but not sin.

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How many wells of science there are in whose depths there is nothing but clear water!

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