

John Lyly

Quotes

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Marriages are made in heaven and consummated on Earth.

~John Lyly

The empty vessel giveth a greater sound than the full barrel.

~John Lyly

The broken bone, once set together, is stronger than ever.

~John Lyly

Time draweth wrinkles in a fair face, but addeth fresh colors to a fast friend, which neither heat, nor cold, nor misery, nor place, nor destiny, can alter or diminish

~John Lyly

It is a blind goose that cometh to the fox's sermon.

~John Lyly

The true measure of life is not length, but honesty.

~John Lyly

When adversities flow, then love ebbs; but friendship standeth stiffly in storms.

~John Lyly

Let the falling out of friends be a renewing of affection.

~John Lyly

The greater the kindred is, the lesse the kindnesse must bee.

~John Lyly

He that loseth his honesty hath nothing else to lose.

~John Lyly

The night has a thousand eyes.

~John Lyly

Lips are no part of the head, only made for a double-leaf door for the mouth.

~John Lyly

None but the lark so shrill and clear; Now at heaven's gate she claps her wings, The morn not waking till she sings.

~John Lyly

The bee that hath honey in her mouth hath a sting in her tail.

~John Lyly

It is the eye of the master that fatteth the horse, and the love of the woman that maketh the man.

~John Lyly

Where the mind is past hope, the heart is past shame.

~John Lyly

[Beauty is] a delicate bait with a deadly hook; a sweet panther with a devouring paunch, a sour poison in a silver pot.

~John Lyly

The wound that bleedeth inward is most dangerous.

~John Lyly

Nothing so perilous as procrastination

~John Lyly

To love women and never enjoy them, is as much to love wine and never taste it.

~John Lyly

As the best wine doth make the sharpest vinegar, so the deepest love turns to the deadliest hate.

~John Lyly

Love knoweth no laws.

~John Lyly

Marriage is destinie, made in heaven.

~John Lyly

Thou shalt come out of a warme Sunne into God's blessing.

~John Lyly

There can no great smoke arise, but there must be some fire.

~John Lyly

Where the countenance is fair, there need no colors.

~John Lyly

A merry companion is as good as a wagon.

~John Lyly

Children and fools speak true.

~John Lyly

To give reason for fancy were to weigh the fire, and measure the wind.

~John Lyly

Whilst that the childe is young, let him be instructed in vertue and lytterature.

~John Lyly

The sun shineth upon the dunghill, and is not corrupted.

~John Lyly

A comely olde man as busie as a bee.

~John Lyly

Whatsoever is in the heart of the sober man, is in the mouth of the drunkard.

~John Lyly

I thank you for nothing, because I understand nothing.

~John Lyly

Far more seemly to have thy study full of books, than thy purse full of money.

~John Lyly

I am of this mind, that might and malice, deceit and treachery perjury and impiety may lawfully be committed in love; which is lawless.

~John Lyly

I have ever thought so superstitiously of wit, that I fear I have committed idolatry against wisdom.

~John Lyly

Children and fooles speake true.

~John Lyly

Instruments sound sweetest when they are touched softest.

~John Lyly

It is a world to see.

~John Lyly

All fish are not caught with flies

~John Lyly

It is the disposition of the thought that altered the nature of the thing.

~John Lyly

The soft droppes of rain perce the hard marble.

~John Lyly

Fish and guests in three days are stale.

~John Lyly

If you will be cherished when you are old, be courteous while you be young.

~John Lyly

The tongue, the ambassador of the heart.

~John Lyly

To love and to live well is wished of many, but incident to few.

~John Lyly

The greatest harm that you can do unto the envious, is to do well.

~John Lyly

Things of greatest profit are set forth with least price. Where the wine is neat there needeth no live blush.

~John Lyly

Rather fast then surfette, rather starue then striue to exceede.

~John Lyly

A bargain is a bargain.

~John Lyly

A clere conscience is a sure carde.

~John Lyly

A merry companion is as good as a wagon, For you shall be sure to ride though ye go a foot.

~John Lyly

The fallyng out of faithfull frends is the renuyng of loue.

~John Lyly

An Englishman hath three qualities, he can suffer no partner in his love, no stranger to be his friend, nor to be dared by any.

~John Lyly

Many strokes overthrow the tallest oaks.

~John Lyly

For experience teacheth me that straight trees have crooked roots.

~John Lyly

Be valyaunt, but not too venturous. Let thy attyre bee comely, but not costly.

~John Lyly

Where the streame runneth smoothest, the water is deepest.

~John Lyly

The measure of love is to have no mean, the end to be everlasting.

~John Lyly

Water runneth smoothest where it is deepest.

~John Lyly

Long quaffing maketh a short lyfe.

~John Lyly

Maydens, be they never so foolyshe, yet beeing fayre they are

commonly fortunate.

~John Lyly

As lyke as one pease is to another.

~John Lyly

A Rose is sweeter in the budde than full blowne.

~John Lyly

In misery it is great comfort to have a companion.

~John Lyly

In arguing of the shadow, we forgo the substance.

~John Lyly

Gentlemen use books as Gentlewomen handle their flowers, who in the morning stick them in their heads, and at night strawe them at their heeles.

~John Lyly

Though women have small force to overcome men by reason; yet have they good fortune to undermine them by policy.

~John Lyly

He that comes in print because he would be known, is like the fool that comes into the market because he would be seen.

~John Lyly

Beauty - a deceitful bait with a deadly hook.

~John Lyly

If thy wealth waste, they wit will give but small warmth.

~John Lyly

The rattling thunderbolt hath but his clap, the lightning but his flash, and as they both come in a moment, so do they both end in a minute.

~John Lyly

The finest edge is made with the blunt whetstone.

~John Lyly

It is good walking when one hath his horse in hand.

~John Lyly

If love be a god, why should not lovers be virtuous?

~John Lyly

A new broome sweepeth cleane.

~John Lyly

As love knoweth no lawes, so it regardeth no conditions

~John Lyly

If all the earth were paper white / And all the sea were ink / 'Twere not enough for me to write / As my poor heart doth think.

~John Lyly

All men [are] of one metal, but not in one mold.

~John Lyly

The slothful are always ready to engage in idle talk of what will be done tomorrow, and every day after.

~John Lyly

Do you think that any one can move the heart but He that made it?

~John Lyly

Lette me stande to the maine chance.

~John Lyly

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