

Margaret Cavendish

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And though my Lord hath lost his estate and been banished out of his country, yet neither despised poverty nor pinching necessity could make him break the bonds of friendship or weaken his loyal duty.

~Margaret Cavendish

I think a bad husband is far worse than no husband.

~Margaret Cavendish

If Atomes are as small, as small can bee, They must in quantity of Matter all agree

~Margaret Cavendish

For I had rather die in the adventure of noble achievements, then live in obscure and sluggish security.

~Margaret Cavendish

Indeed, I was so afraid to dishonour my friends and family by my indiscreet actions, that I rather chose to be accounted a fool, than to be thought rude or wanton.

~Margaret Cavendish

For Pleasure, Delight, Peace and Felicity live in method and temperance.

~Margaret Cavendish

For disorder obstructs: besides, it doth disgust life, distract the appetities, and yield no true relish to the senses.

~Margaret Cavendish

Marriage is the grave or tomb of wit.

~Margaret Cavendish

Everyone's conscience in religion is between God and themselves, and it belongs to none other.

~Margaret Cavendish

Pain and Oblivion make mankind afraid to die; but all creatures are afraid of the one, none but mankind afraid of the other.

~Margaret Cavendish

Not that I am ashamed of my mind or body, my birth or breeding, my actions or fortunes, for my bashfulness is in my nature, not for any crime.

~Margaret Cavendish

First, they were bred when I was not capable to observe or before I was born; likewise the breeding of men is of a different manner from that of women.

~Margaret Cavendish

As for our garments, my Mother did not only delight to see us neat and cleanly, fine and gay, but rich and costly: maintaining us to the height of her estate, but not beyond it.

~Margaret Cavendish

For I, hearing my Lord's estate amongst many more estates was to be sold, and that the wives of the owners should have an allowance therefrom, it gave me hopes I should receive a benefit thereby.

~Margaret Cavendish

And not only my own brothers and sisters agreed so but my brothers and sisters in law; and their children, although but young, had the like agreeable natures and affectionate dispositions.

~Margaret Cavendish

Indeed I did not stand as a beggar at the Parliament door, for I never was at the Parliament-House, nor stood I ever at the door as I do know or can remember; not as a petitioner I am sure.

~Margaret Cavendish

But if our sex would but well consider and rationally ponder, they will perceive and find that it is neither words nor place that can advance them, but worth and merit.

~Margaret Cavendish

Some brains are barren grounds, that will not bring seed or fruit forth, unless they are well manured with the old wit which is raked from other writers and speakers.

~Margaret Cavendish

who can Perswade more Powerfully than Poets?

~Margaret Cavendish

As for plenty, we had not only for necessity, conveniency and decency, but for delight and pleasure to superfluity.

~Margaret Cavendish

My mother was a good mistress to her servants, taking care of them in their sicknesses, not sparing any cost she was able to bestow for their recovery.

~Margaret Cavendish

Indeed I had not much wit, yet I was not an idiot - my wit was according to my years.

~Margaret Cavendish

In such misfortunes my Mother was of an heroic spirit, in suffering patiently when there was no remedy, and being industrious where she thought she could help.

~Margaret Cavendish

Prosperity is like perfume, it often makes the head ache.

~Margaret Cavendish

The truth is, we [women] live like bats, or owls, labor like beasts, and die like worms.

~Margaret Cavendish

One may be my very good friend, and yet not of my opinion.

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