Mother Jones Quotes

Fighting, Men, Children, Hands, Want, Telling The Truth, Shoes, People, Age, Boys, Not Afraid, Economic Inequality, Mother, White, Class, Slavery, Long, Country, World, Believe I asked a man in prison once how he happened to be there and he said he had stolen a pair of shoes. I told him if he had stolen a railroad he would be a United States Senator.

~Mother Jones

You ought to be out raising hell. This is the fighting age. Put on your fighting clothes.

~Mother Jones

I know that there are no limits to which the powers of privilege will not go to keep the workers in slavery

~Mother Jones

Injustice boils in men's hearts as does steel in its cauldron, ready to pour forth, white hot, in the fullness of time.

~Mother Jones

Mourn the dead, fight like hell for the living

~Mother Jones

Sit down and read. Educate yourself for the coming conflicts.

~Mother Jones

If they want to hang me, let them. And on the scaffold I will shout Freedom for the working class!

~Mother Jones

The employment of children is doing more to fill prisons, insane asylums, almshouses, reformatories, slums, and gin shops than all the efforts of reformers are doing to improve society.

~Mother Jones

I'm not a lady, I'm a hellraiser

God almighty made women and the Rockefeller gang of thieves made the ladies.

~Mother Jones

Little girls and boys, barefooted, walked up and down between the endless rows of spindles, reaching thin little hands into the machinery to repair snapped threads

~Mother Jones

I live in the United States, but I do not know exactly where. My address is wherever there is a fight against oppression.

~Mother Jones

I believe that no man who holds a leader's position should ever accept favors from either side. He is then committed to show favors. A leader must stand alone.

~Mother Jones

Reformation, like education, is a journey, not a destination

~Mother Jones

No matter what the fight, don't be ladylike!

~Mother Jones

Some day the workers will take possession of your city hall, and when we do, no child will be sacrificed on the altar of profit!

~Mother Jones

I have never had a vote, and I have raised hell all over this country. You don't need a vote to raise hell! You need convictions and a voice! ~Mother Jones

The militant not the meek shall inherit the earth!

All the average human being asks is something he can call a home; a family that is fed and warm; and now and then a little happiness; once in a long while an extravagance.

~Mother Jones

I'm not a humanitarian, I'ma hell-raiser.

~Mother Jones

I would fight God Almighty Himself if He didn't play square with me ~Mother Jones

You must stand for free speech in the streets.

~Mother Jones

In Georgia where children work day and night in the cotton mills they have just passed a bill to protect song birds. What about the little children from whom all song is gone?

~Mother Jones

Out of labor's struggle in Arizona came better conditions for the workers, who must everywhere, at all times, under advantage and disadvantage work out their own salvation

~Mother Jones

Slowly those who create the wealth of the world are permitted to share it. The future is in labor's strong, rough hands.

~Mother Jones

I will tell the truth wherever I please.

~Mother Jones

I hope to live long enough to be the great-grandmother of all agitators.

What one state could not get alone, what one miner against a powerful corporation could not achieve, can be achieved by the union.

~Mother Jones

I am not unaware that leaders betray, and sell out, and play false. ~Mother Jones

My address is like my shoes. It travels with me. I abide where there is a fight against wrong.

~Mother Jones

But in Shimabukuro's hands, as he breaks out experimental jazz, lays down a steady blues train, or shreds on rock anthems, this little jumping flea becomes a melodic monster.

~Mother Jones

Life comes to the miners out of their deaths, and death out of their lives ~Mother Jones

My teachers treated me as a diamond in the rough, someone who needed smoothing.

~Mother Jones

I'm not afraid of the press or the Militia.

~Mother Jones

And who is responsible for this appalling child slavery? Everyone.

~Mother Jones

I am not blind to the shortcomings of our own people.

~Mother Jones

I have always advised men to read

Today the white child is sold for two dollars a week to the manufacturers.

~Mother Jones

What is a good enough principle for an American citizen ought to be good enough for the working man to follow.

~Mother Jones

I am Mother Jones. The Government can't take my life and you can't take my arm, but you can take my suitcase.

~Mother Jones

You know I took an oath to tell the truth when I took the witness stand ~Mother Jones

I believe that movements to suppress wrongs can be carried out under the protection of our flag.

~Mother Jones

I want to hold a series of meetings all over the country and get the facts before the American people

~Mother Jones

Men's hearts are cold. They are indifferent.

~Mother Jones

Freedom for the working class!

~Mother Jones

Not all the coal that is dug warms the world.

~Mother Jones

I nursed men back to sanity who were driven to despair. I solicited clothes for the ragged children, for the desperate mothers. I laid out the

dead, the martyrs of the strike.

~Mother Jones

That is, the wife must care for what the husband cares for if he is to remain resolute.

~Mother Jones

I am not afraid of the pen, or the scaffold, or the sword. I will tell the truth wherever I please.

~Mother Jones

...Poetic injustice...having made over Japan in our own image. The Japanese, ...are now, next to us, the greatest consumers of meat in the world.

~Mother Jones

I was born in revolution.

~Mother Jones

I preferred sewing to bossing little children.

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