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To be defeated, but not to give in, is victory.

~Neal Ascherson

I went into journalism in a grandiose way. I thought maybe I'd do a little journalism whilst I write the great novel of all time you see -- one has to keep oneself afloat.

~Neal Ascherson

Who invented political tolerance? The English invented it, it's something which has taken roots with some difficulty in Scottish politics.

~Neal Ascherson

I'm always interested in debunking myths if they are untrue. But it's also important to identify myths and how they function, what value they may have.

~Neal Ascherson

I am always fascinated when people talk about 'the forging of a nation'. Most nations are forgeries, perpetrated in the last century or so.

~Neal Ascherson

Darwinism did not strip meaning from the world but intensified it, 'by identifying it in as many aspects of life as possible'.

~Neal Ascherson

I think England has been in the long-term damaged by Britishness.

~Neal Ascherson

On the Black Sea, my father saw it begin. And on the Black Sea, seventy years on, I saw the beginning of its end.

~Neal Ascherson

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