

Neville Cardus

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A true batsman should in most of his strokes tell the truth about himself.

~Neville Cardus

Sibelius justified the austerity of his old age by saying that while other composers were engaged in manufacturing cocktails, he offered the public pure cold water.

~Neville Cardus

We remember not the scores and the results in after years; it is the men who remain in our minds, in our imagination.

~Neville Cardus

There ought to be some other means of reckoning quality in this the best and loveliest of games; the scoreboard is an ass.

~Neville Cardus

Often in this our life do we begin by cursing men and end by loving them. A sense of the common fallibility of all flesh makes us kin. No man is lovable who is invincible.

~Neville Cardus

Like the British constitution, cricket was not made: it has 'grown'.

~Neville Cardus

In cricket, as in no other game, a great master may well go back to the pavilion scoreless.... In no other game does the law of averages get to work so potently, so mysteriously.

~Neville Cardus

The umpire... is like the geyser in the bathroom; we cannot do without it, yet we notice it only when it is out of order.

~Neville Cardus

It is far more than a game, this cricket.

~Neville Cardus

The elements are cricket's presiding geniuses.

~Neville Cardus

Dear, lovely game of cricket that can stir us so profoundly, that can lift up our hearts and break them.

~Neville Cardus

If a German or an Austrian, a Greek or a Bashibazouk, had composed Gerontius, the whole world would have by now admitted its qualities.

~Neville Cardus

Cricket more than any other game is inclined towards sentimentalism and cant.

~Neville Cardus

The laws of cricket tell of the English love of compromise between a particular freedom and a general orderliness, or legality.

~Neville Cardus

A great composition to me is.. an incarnation of a genius, of all that was ever in him of the slightest consequence.

~Neville Cardus

A snick by Jack Hobbs is a sort of disturbance of a cosmic orderliness.

~Neville Cardus

The Australian temper is at bottom grim. It is as though the sun has dried up his nature.

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