

P. T. Barnum

Quotes

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The noblest art is that of making others happy

~P. T. Barnum

Fortune always favors the brave, and never helps a man who does not help himself.

~P. T. Barnum

How were the receipts today in Madison Square Garden ?

~P. T. Barnum

No man ever went broke overestimating the ignorance of the American public.

~P. T. Barnum

The common man, no matter how sharp and tough, actually enjoys having the wool pulled over his eyes, and makes it easier for the puller.

~P. T. Barnum

You can fool most of the people most of the time.

~P. T. Barnum

To me there is no picture so beautiful as smiling, bright-eyed, happy children; no music so sweet as their clear and ringing laughter.

~P. T. Barnum

Money is good for nothing unless you know the value of it by experience.

~P. T. Barnum

Money is in some respects like fire; it is a very excellent servant but a terrible master.

~P. T. Barnum

When a man is in the right path, he must persevere.

~P. T. Barnum

You know I had rather be laughed at than not to be noticed at all.

~P. T. Barnum

There's no such thing as bad publicity.

~P. T. Barnum

Many people are gullible, and we can expect this to continue.

~P. T. Barnum

If you hesitate, some bolder hand will stretch out before you and get the prize.

~P. T. Barnum

There is a fool born every minute

~P. T. Barnum

We cannot all see alike, but we can all do good.

~P. T. Barnum

The best kind of charity is to help those who are willing to help themselves.

~P. T. Barnum

Advertising is like learning - a little is a dangerous thing.

~P. T. Barnum

Nothing draws a crowd quite like a crowd.

~P. T. Barnum

The bigger the humbug, the better people will like it.

~P. T. Barnum

Politeness and civility are the best capital ever invested in business.

~P. T. Barnum

With the young man starting in business, let him understand the value of money by earning it.

~P. T. Barnum

I am a showman by profession... and all the gilding shall make nothing else of me.

~P. T. Barnum

The foundation of success in life is good health: that is the substratum fortune; it is also the basis of happiness. A person cannot accumulate a fortune very well when he is sick.

~P. T. Barnum

Literature is one of the most interesting and significant expressions of humanity.

~P. T. Barnum

Your success depends on what you do yourself, with your own means

~P. T. Barnum

There is no class of people in the world, who have such good memories as creditors.

~P. T. Barnum

The possession of a perfect knowledge of your business is an absolute necessity in order to insure success.

~P. T. Barnum

Never attempt to catch a whale with a minnow.

~P. T. Barnum

The truth is, the more kind and liberal a man is, the more generous will be the patronage bestowed upon him.

~P. T. Barnum

If I was not a remarkably modest man, I should probably brag a little, and say that I had done what no American ever before accomplished by visiting the queen at her palace twice within eight days.

~P. T. Barnum

Whatever you do, do it ardently.

~P. T. Barnum

Every man's occupation should be beneficial to his fellow-man as well as profitable to himself. All else is vanity and folly.

~P. T. Barnum

You must exercise your caution in laying your plans, but be bold in carrying them out.

~P. T. Barnum

To forgive heals the wound, to forget heals the scar.

~P. T. Barnum

Advertising is like learning - a little is a dangerous thing. If a man has not the pluck to keep on advertising, all the money he has already spent is lost.

~P. T. Barnum

I am prouder of my title 'The Children's Friend' than if I were to be called 'The King of the World'.

~P. T. Barnum

The plan of "counting the chickens before they are hatched" is an error of ancient date, but it does not seem to improve by age.

~P. T. Barnum

Without publicity a terrible thing happens: nothing.

~P. T. Barnum

The wonders of the ages assembled for your edification, education and enjoyment - for a price.

~P. T. Barnum

I would rather hear the pleased laugh of a child over some feature of my exhibition than receive as I did the flattering compliments of the Prince of Wales.

~P. T. Barnum

I risked much, but I made much.

~P. T. Barnum

If I shoot at the sun, I may hit a star.

~P. T. Barnum

Energy and patience in business are two indispensable elements of success.

~P. T. Barnum

In fact, as a general thing, money-getters are the benefactors of our race.

~P. T. Barnum

Without promotion, something terrible happens... nothing!

~P. T. Barnum

Clowns are the pegs on which the circus is hung.

~P. T. Barnum

A penny here, and a dollar there, placed at interest, goes on accumulating, and in this way the desired result is attained.

~P. T. Barnum

True economy consists in always making the income exceed the outgo.

~P. T. Barnum

Every crowd has a silver lining.

~P. T. Barnum

No man has a right to expect to succeed in life unless he understands his business, and nobody can understand his business thoroughly unless he learns it by personal application and experience.

~P. T. Barnum

Money-getters are the benefactors of our race. To them ... are we indebted for our institutions of learning, and of art, our academies, colleges and churches.

~P. T. Barnum

No profession, trade, or calling, is overcrowded in the upper story.

~P. T. Barnum

I don't care what the newspapers say about me as long as they spell my name right.

~P. T. Barnum

There's one born every minute.

~P. T. Barnum

Medicine is the means by which we poor feeble creatures try to keep from dying or aching.

~P. T. Barnum

Science is the pursuit of pure truth, and the systematizing of it.

~P. T. Barnum

Advertising is to a genuine article what manure is to land, - it largely increases the product.

~P. T. Barnum

Unless a man enters upon the vocation intended for him by nature, and best suited to his peculiar genius, he cannot succeed.

~P. T. Barnum

More persons, on the whole, are humbugged by believing in nothing, than by believing too much.

~P. T. Barnum

Let your motto then always be 'Excelsior', for by living up to it there is no such word as fail.

~P. T. Barnum

Money is the excellent slave and a horrible master.

~P. T. Barnum

There is scarcely anything that drags a person down like debt.

~P. T. Barnum

Politics and government are certainly among the most important of practical human interests.

~P. T. Barnum

As a general thing, I have not 'duped the world' nor attempted to do so... I have generally given people the worth of their money twice told.

~P. T. Barnum

Instead of spending money, I earned it.

~P. T. Barnum

Witchcraft is one of the most baseless, absurd, disgusting and silly of all the humbugs.

~P. T. Barnum

He who is without a newspaper is cut off from his species.

~P. T. Barnum

The orthodox faith painted God as a revengeful being, and yet people talk about loving such a being.

~P. T. Barnum

I never liked to work, I mean manual work.

~P. T. Barnum

I am indebted to the press of the United States for almost every dollar which I possess.

~P. T. Barnum

The desire for wealth is nearly universal, and none can say it is not laudable, provided the possessor of it accepts its responsibilities, and uses it as a friend to humanity.

~P. T. Barnum

A salary was not sufficient for me.

~P. T. Barnum

In the United States, where we have more land than people, it is not at all difficult for persons in good health to make money.

~P. T. Barnum

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