

Percy Williams Bridgman Quotes

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There is no adequate defense, except stupidity, against the impact of a new idea.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

Nature does not count nor do integers occur in nature. Man made them all, integers and all the rest, Kronecker to the contrary notwithstanding.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

Science is what scientists do, and there are as many scientific methods as there are individual scientists.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

The first business of a man of science is to proclaim the truth as he finds it, and let the world adjust itself as best it can to the new knowledge.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

It is the merest truism, evident at once to unsophisticated observation, that mathematics is a human invention.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

Coincidence is what you have left over when you apply a bad theory.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

The true meaning of a term is to be found by observing what a man does with it, not by what he says about it.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

My point of view is that science is essentially private, whereas the almost universal counter point of view, explicitly stated in many of the articles in the Encyclopaedia, is that it must be public.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

In general, we mean by any concept nothing more than a set of

operations; the concept is synonymous with the corresponding set of operations.

~Percy Williams Bridgman

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