

# Pierre Loti

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Holy Istanbul! Your name is the most enchanting one of all names which enchants me.

~Pierre Loti

The moon of a bright silver, which dazzles by its shining, illumines a world which surely is no longer ours; for it resembles in nothing what may be seen in other lands.

~Pierre Loti

Egypt, the Egypt of antiquity, at a later time, exercised a mysterious fascination over me. I recognized a picture of it immediately, without hesitation and astonishment, in an illustrated magazine.

~Pierre Loti

My books were always full of ink blots, always stained and covered with smeared sketches and pictures, which one draws idly when his attention wanders from his task.

~Pierre Loti

My emotions lose their force when I endeavor to interpret them, and my words seem very inept.

~Pierre Loti

Often, before returning home, I would take a long and roundabout way and pass by the peaceful ramparts from where I had glimpses of other provinces, and a sight of the distant country.

~Pierre Loti

My sister and my brother, of whom I have not spoken before, were considerably older than I; it seemed almost as if we belonged to different generations.

~Pierre Loti

I do not exactly remember at what period I started my museum which

absorbed so much of my time.

~Pierre Loti

I am surprised that I cannot recall whether my desire to become a minister transformed itself into a wish to lead the more militant life of missionary, by a slow process or suddenly.

~Pierre Loti

Through the study of fossils I had already been initiated into the mysteries of prehistoric creations.

~Pierre Loti

It is with the approach of winter that cats...wear their richest fur and assume an air of sumptuous and delightful opulence.

~Pierre Loti

It seems to me that it will be very wearisome to be a man.

~Pierre Loti

Painting and music were the only things I worked at industriously and faithfully.

~Pierre Loti

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