

Sarah Orne Jewett

Quotes

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Tact is after all a kind of mind reading.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Look bravely up into the sky, And be content with knowing That God wished for a buttercup Just here, where you are growing.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

My childhood is very vivid to me, and I don't feel very different now from the way I felt then. It would appear I am the very same person, only with wrinkles.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

A story should be managed so that it should suggest interesting things to the reader instead of the author's doing all the thinking for him, and setting it before him in black and white.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

I've found that people who look at things as they are, and not as they wish them to be, are the ones who succeed.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

The growth of true friendship may be a lifelong affair.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

The warm sun kissed the earth
To consecrate thy birth,
And from his close embrace
Thy radiant face
Sprang into sight,
A blossoming delight.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

It seems to me like stealing, for men and women to live in the world and do nothing to make it better.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

When she walked...she stretched out long and thin like a little tiger, and held her head high to look over the grass as if she were treading the

jungle.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

In the life of each of us there is a place remote and islanded, and given to endless regret or secret happiness.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

You must find your own quiet center of life, and write from that to the world.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

The old poets little knew what comfort they could be to a man.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Yes'm, old friends is always best, 'less you can catch a new one that's fit to make an old one out of.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

It is only unimaginative persons who can be really astonished. The imagination can always outrun the possible and actual sights and sounds of the world.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

God would not give us the same talent if what were right for men were wrong for women.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Write it as it is, don't try to make it like this or that. You can't do it in anybody else's way-you will have to make a way of your own.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

It is the people who can do nothing who find nothing to do, and the secret to happiness in this world is not only to be useful, but to be forever elevating one's uses.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

My dear father; my dear friend; the best and wisest man I ever knew, who taught me many lessons and showed me many things as we went together along the country by-ways.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

The process of falling in love at first sight is as final as it is swift in such a case, but the growth of true friendship may be a lifelong affair.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

You never get over bein' a child long's you have a mother to go to.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

The thing that teases the mind over and over for years, and at last gets itself put down rightly on paper - whether little or great, it belongs to Literature.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Imagination is the only true thing in the world!

~Sarah Orne Jewett

What's everybody's business is nobody's business.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Who was it said that you never get to a place until a day after you come, nor leave it until a day after you go?

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Some set more by such things as come from a distance, but I rec'lect mother always used to maintain that folks was meant to be doctored with the stuff that grew right about 'em.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

It is not often given in a noisy world to come to the places of great grief and silence.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

A lean sorrow is hardest to bear.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

There is something out of gear about graded schools and all that. Memory is developed at the expense of what in general we are pleased to call thought and character.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

There was a patient look on the old man's face, as if the world were a great mistake and he had nobody with whom to speak his own language or find companionship.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

In these days the young folks is all copy-cats, 'fraid to death they won't be all just alike; as for the old folks, they pray for the advantage o' bein' a little different.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

So we die before our own eyes; so we see some chapters of our lives come to their natural end.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Satisfaction, even after one has dined well, is not so interesting and eager a feeling as hunger.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Conversation's got to have some root in the past, or else you've got to explain every remark you make, an' it wears a person out.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

It is a splendid thing to have the use of any gift of God. It isn't for us to choose again, or wonder and dispute, but just work in our own places, and leave the rest to God.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

There's some herb that's good for everybody, except for them that thinks they're sick when they ain't.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Life was resumed, and anxious living blew away as if it had not been. I could not breathe deep enough or long enough. It was a return to happiness.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

my friends plunged into a borderless sea of reminiscences and personal news.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

the mysterious moment of death proves to be a moment of waking. How one longs to take it for one's self!

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Wrecked on the lee shore of age.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Don't scatter your fire! You are a prose writer: stick to your own tool!

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Tain't worthwhile to wear a day all out before it comes.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Love isn't blind; it's only love that sees!

~Sarah Orne Jewett

Do not hurry too fast in these early winter days, - a quiet hour is worth more to you than anything you can do in it.

~Sarah Orne Jewett

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