

Thomas Otway

Quotes

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Ambition is a lust that is never quenched, but grows more inflamed and madder by enjoyment.

~Thomas Otway

If we must part for ever, Give me but one kind word to think upon, And please myself withal, whilst my heart's breaking!

~Thomas Otway

False as the adulterate promises of favorites in power when poor men court them.

~Thomas Otway

Could my griefs speak, the tale would have no end.

~Thomas Otway

Shining through tears, like April suns in showers, that labor to overcome the cloud that loads em.

~Thomas Otway

Honest men are the soft easy cushions on which knaves repose and fatten.

~Thomas Otway

Cowards are scared with threatenings; boys are whipped into confession; but a steady mind acts of itself, ne'er asks the body counsel.

~Thomas Otway

Honesty was a cheat invented first To bind the hands of bold deserving rogues, That fools and cowards might sit safe in power, And lord it uncontroll'd above their betters.

~Thomas Otway

Revenge, the attribute of gods! They stamped it with their great image

on our natures.

~Thomas Otway

Honesty needs no disguise nor ornament; be plain.

~Thomas Otway

Let us embrace, and from this very moment vow an eternal misery together.

~Thomas Otway

Clocks will go as they are set, but man, irregular man, is never constant, never certain.

~Thomas Otway

Justice is lame as well as blind, amongst us.

~Thomas Otway

There is such sweet pain in parting that I could hang forever on thine arms, and look away my life into thine eyes.

~Thomas Otway

No flattery, boy! an honest man cannot live by it; it is a little, sneaking art, which knaves use to cajole and soften fools withal.

~Thomas Otway

No praying, it spoils business.

~Thomas Otway

Who's a prince or beggar in the grave?

~Thomas Otway

Home I would go But that my doors are hateful to my eyes, Fill'd and damm'd up with gaping creditors, Watchful as fowlers when their game will spring.

~Thomas Otway

Base natures ever judge a thing above them, and hate a power they are too much obliged to.

~Thomas Otway

Children blessings seem, but torments are.

~Thomas Otway

Dame Fortune, like most others of the female sex, is generally most indulgent to the nimble-mettled blockheads.

~Thomas Otway

You wags that judge by rote, and damn by rule.

~Thomas Otway

Greatness, thou gaudy torment of our souls, The wise man's fetter, and the rage of fools.

~Thomas Otway

Love reigns a very tyrant in my heart.

~Thomas Otway

O woman! lovely woman! Nature made thee To temper man: we had been brutes without you.

~Thomas Otway

And die with decency.

~Thomas Otway

And for an apple damn'd mankind.

~Thomas Otway

I may boldly speak In right, though proud oppression will not hear me!

~Thomas Otway

If love be treasure, we'll be wondrous rich.

~Thomas Otway

Ere man's corruptions made him wretched, he
Was born most noble that was born most free;
Each of himself was lord; and unconfin'd
Obey'd the dictates of his godlike mind.

~Thomas Otway

The poor sleep little.

~Thomas Otway

The worst thing an old man can be is a lover.

~Thomas Otway

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