

Victoria Woodhull

Quotes

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I am a free lover. I have an inalienable, constitutional and natural right to love whom I may, to love as long or short a period as I can; to change that love every day if I please.

~Victoria Woodhull

There is something wrong with a government that makes women the legal property of their husbands. The whole system needs changing, but men will never make the changes. They have too much to lose.

~Victoria Woodhull

It is not great wealth in a few individuals that proves a country is prosperous, but great general wealth evenly distributed among the people. . .

~Victoria Woodhull

I endeavor to make the most of everything.

~Victoria Woodhull

If Congress refuse to listen to and grant what women ask, there is but one course left then to pursue. What is there left for women to do but to become the mothers of the future government?

~Victoria Woodhull

It makes no difference who or what you are, old or young, black or white, pagan, Jew, or Christian, I want to love you all and be loved by you all, and I mean to have your love.

~Victoria Woodhull

While others prayed for the good time coming, I worked for it.

~Victoria Woodhull

Woman's ability to earn money is better protection against the tyranny and brutality of men than her ability to vote.

~Victoria Woodhull

I shall not change my course because those who assume to be better than I desire it.

~Victoria Woodhull

I now announce myself as candidate for the Presidency. I anticipate criticism; but however unfavorable I trust that my sincerity will not be called into question.

~Victoria Woodhull

Let women issue a declaration of independence sexually, and absolutely refuse to cohabit with men until they are acknowledged as equals in everything, and the victory would be won in a single week.

~Victoria Woodhull

I offer you the remedy of Free Love as an antidote for enforced lust, and the world will have to take it before the disease can be cured.

~Victoria Woodhull

The spirits are coming back to tear your damned system of sexual slavery into tatters and consign its blackened remnants to the depth of everlasting hell.

~Victoria Woodhull

The sin of all time has been the exercise of assumed powers. This is the essence of tyranny.

~Victoria Woodhull

Why is a woman to be treated differently? Woman suffrage will succeed, despite this miserable guerilla opposition.

~Victoria Woodhull

Women have every right; they just have to exercise them.

~Victoria Woodhull

The uses of government should be to foster, protect and promote the possession of equality.

~Victoria Woodhull

All talk of women's rights is moonshine. Women have every right. They have only to exercise them.

~Victoria Woodhull

I believe in Spiritualism; I advocate free love in the highest, purest sense, as the only cure for the damnation by which men corrupt God's most holy institution of sexual relations.

~Victoria Woodhull

Strike as much and as hard as you please, only don't do it in the dark so that I cannot know who is my enemy.

~Victoria Woodhull

When I first saw the light of day on this planet, it seemed as if I had been rudely awakened from a death-like sleep.

~Victoria Woodhull

I and others of my sex find ourselves controlled by a form of government in the inauguration of which we had no voice.

~Victoria Woodhull

My judges preach against free love openly, practice it secretly.

~Victoria Woodhull

I ask the rights to pursue happiness by having a voice in that government to which I am accountable.

~Victoria Woodhull

Suffrage is a common right of citizenship. Women have the right of suffrage. Logically it cannot be escaped.

~Victoria Woodhull

The women of the country have the power in their own hands, in spite of the law and the government being altogether of the male order.

~Victoria Woodhull

So after all I am a very promiscuous free lover. I want the love of you all, promiscuously.

~Victoria Woodhull

If women would today would rise en masse and demand their emancipation, the men would be compelled to grant it.

~Victoria Woodhull

For a woman to consider a financial question was shuddered over as a profanity.

~Victoria Woodhull

Denounce me for advocating freedom if you can, and I will bear your curse with a better resignation.

~Victoria Woodhull

Woman, no less than man, can qualify herself for the more onerous occupations of life.

~Victoria Woodhull

I boldly entered the arena of business and exercised the rights I already possessed.

~Victoria Woodhull

I was divorced from Dr. Woodhull for reasons which to me were sufficient, but I was never his enemy.

~Victoria Woodhull

You are all aware that my private life has been pictured to the public by the press of the country with the intent to make people believe me to be a very bad woman.

~Victoria Woodhull

Love is that which exists to do good, not merely to get good.

~Victoria Woodhull

My opinions and principles are subjects of just criticism.

~Victoria Woodhull

The wife who submits to sexual intercourse against her wishes or desires, virtually commits suicide; while the husband who compels it, commits murder.

~Victoria Woodhull

Every woman knows that if she were free, she would never bear an unwished-for child nor think of murdering one before its birth.

~Victoria Woodhull

I come before you to declare that my sex are entitled to the inalienable right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

~Victoria Woodhull

By what right do you refuse to accept the vote of a citizen of the United States?

~Victoria Woodhull

When I found I had given birth to a human wreckage, to a child that was an imbecile, my heart was broken.

~Victoria Woodhull

Is it fair to treat a woman worse than a man, and then revile her because she is a woman?

~Victoria Woodhull

The American nation, in its march onward and upward, can not publicly choke the intellectual and political activity of half its citizens by narrow statutes.

~Victoria Woodhull

Entrepreneurs are risk takers, willing to roll the dice with their money or reputations on the line in support of an idea or enterprise.

~Victoria Woodhull

I would like above any other place to go to Hartford. I want to face the conservatism there centered and compel it into decency.

~Victoria Woodhull

All that is good and commendable now existing would continue to exist if all marriage laws were repealed tomorrow . . .

~Victoria Woodhull

The rights of children as individuals begin while yet they remain the foetus.

~Victoria Woodhull

I do not assume to speak for anyone. I know I speak in direct opposition to the wishes of many by whom I am surrounded.

~Victoria Woodhull

I do not intend to be made the scapegoat of sacrifice, to be offered up as a victim to society.

~Victoria Woodhull

I know that my companions from the moment of birth were heaven's choicest souls. I grew side by side with them, in fact all the education and inspiration came over them.

~Victoria Woodhull

Women have no government.

~Victoria Woodhull

One of the charges made against me is that I lived in the same house with my former husband, Dr. Woodhull, and my present husband, Col. Blood. The fact is a fact.

~Victoria Woodhull

I do not shake hands from a sanitary standpoint.

~Victoria Woodhull

To go behind a man's hall-door is mean, cowardly, unfair opposition.

~Victoria Woodhull

I shall make it my business to take my chances in the matter of libel suits.

~Victoria Woodhull

Political matters are developing so fast that we must not let a single thing slip without use.

~Victoria Woodhull

I imagined that the priestly ceremony was perfect sanctification, and that the sin of sins was for either husband or wife to be false to that relation.

~Victoria Woodhull

I supposed that to marry was to be transported to a heaven not only of happiness but of purity and perfection.

~Victoria Woodhull

I went with my husband and an innocent child to California. I went to a

theatrical manager and asked him to allow me to earn money enough on the stage to buy our tickets home. He did.

~Victoria Woodhull

It is extremely unfortunate that an editor's own life and practice should be notoriously at variance with his written principles.

~Victoria Woodhull

I believed that a husband must necessarily be an angel, impossible of corruption or contamination.

~Victoria Woodhull

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