

William Benton Clulow Quotes

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Man often acquires just so much knowledge as to discover his ignorance, and attains so much experience as to regret his follies, and then dies.

~William Benton Clulow

There is such a delusion as evinces itself in cool vehemence; and it is the most dangerous of all expressions of fanaticism.

~William Benton Clulow

Time sheds a softness on remote objects or events, as local distance imparts to the landscape a smoothness and mellowness which disappear on a nearer approach.

~William Benton Clulow

The effusions of genius are entitled to admiration rather than applause, as they are chiefly the effect of natural endowment, and sometimes appear to be almost involuntary.

~William Benton Clulow

Scandal is the sport of its authors, the dread of fools, and the contempt of the wise.

~William Benton Clulow

If solitude deprives of the benefit of advice, it also excludes from the mischief of flattery. But the absence of others' applause is generally supplied by the flattery of one's own breast.

~William Benton Clulow

The fame which bids fair to live the longest resembles that which Horace attributes to Marcellus, whose progress he compares to the silent, imperceptible growth of a tree.

~William Benton Clulow

Great books, like large skulls, have often the least brains.

~William Benton Clulow

Philosophy abounds more than philosophers, and learning more than learned men.

~William Benton Clulow

The Chinese, whom it might be well to disparage less and imitate more, seem almost the only people among whom learning and merit have the ascendancy, and wealth is not the standard of estimation.

~William Benton Clulow

Error is sometimes so nearly allied to truth that it blends with it as imperceptibly as the colors of the rainbow fade into each other.

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Topics of conversation among the multitude are generally persons, sometimes things, scarcely ever principles.

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