

Pink Cake

The quote collection

**A commonplace book
assembled by
Kramer Wetzel of astrofish.net**



Quotidian

(This page is blank – don't ask – no one knows why.)

Quotidian

Preface

"I have measured out my life with coffee spoons."

T.S. Eliot Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock

That's where it starts, a life measured in coffee spoons. This is a highly edited collection of material from the last two-dozen years. Collected, collated, inundated, and served up fresh. From the profound to the profane and frequently in a single breath, incongruously on the same page. Occasionally, by the same author.

Attributions may be incorrect. Sorry!

This is remnants of a writer's "commonplace book," a notebook generally reserved for ideas, phrases and ideals, often as not, a collection of wit.

It is wholly unoriginal. Faulty, to be sure. Some attributions are clearly not fact-checked. It's just a data dump.

Quotidian

Table of Contents

Quotidian..... 5
Movies..... 7
Quotidian II..... 9
Rules..... 12
Quotidian III..... 16
Cicero..... 29
Quotidian IV..... 30
Emerson..... 34
George Bernard Shaw..... 39
H.L. Mencken..... 42
Jonathan Swift..... 51
Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens)..... 57
Quotidian V..... 68
Plato..... 77
Robert Frost..... 81
Sam..... 83
Socrates..... 86
Will Rogers..... 91
Shakespeare..... 98
Seneca..... 114
Aesop..... 115
Ambrose Bierce..... 116

Quotidian

Quotidian

Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God: for God is in heaven, and thou be on earth: shall not God search this out? For he knoweth the secrets of the heart.

Bible, KJV Psalms 44:21

The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was, as Winston Churchill would so memorably describe it, "a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma."

(Winston Churchill)

Be not righteous over much

Bible, KJV Ecclesiastes 7:16

Professor: "What's all in there?"

Wizard: "My tools—Everything I need to fix a computer: Philips Screwdriver, Eye of Newt, Toe of Frog..."

Shoe Comic Strip 09/22/1988

"Let us call it by the name which, for lack of any other nobility, will at least give the nobility of truth, and let us recognize it for what it essentially is: a revenge."

Albert Camus (on the death penalty)

"Jesus was a Jew, yes, but only on his mother's side...."

Archie Bunker

"What's up, doc?"

Bugs Bunny
(Looney Tunes Cartoons)

He that would perfect his work must first sharpen his tools.

Confucious

Quotidian

Being "Male" means rejection.

(collected)

- (1) Nothing is better than eternal bliss.
- (2) A ham sandwich is better than nothing.
- (3) Therefore: A ham sandwich is better than eternal bliss.

(collected)

Despite 2500 years of interest and two decades of intense research, we can't say precisely how a writer works or how a person becomes a writer.

Douglas Hunt

Outside of a dog, a book is a man's best friend. Inside a dog it's too dark to read.

Groucho Marx

"Sssshh, be bewy, bewy quiet, I'm hunting wabbits. Hahaha."

Elmer Fudd

Looney Tunes Cartoons

The reading of all good books is like conversation with the finest men of past centuries.

Descartes

The flesh endures the storms of the present alone, the mind those of the past and future as well as the present.

Epicurus

The chief object of education is not to learn things but to unlearn things

G.K. Chesterton

"A billion here, a billion there—pretty soon it adds up to real money!"

Everett Dirkson

Quotidian

Movies

Shit!
What?
Rollers.
No.
Yes.
Shit.

Elwood and Jake Blues
The Blues Brothers. Warner Bros., 1979.

"It's a hundred and six miles to Chicago, we got a full tank of gas, half a pack of cigarettes, it's dark and we're wearing sunglasses."

"Hit it."

Elwood and Jake Blues
The Blues Brothers. Warner Bros., 1979.

"Badges? We ain't got no badges. We don't need no badges. I don't have to show you no stinkin' badges!"

Gold Hat (Alfonso Bedoya)
Treasure of the Sierra Madre Warner Bros., 1948

"Well boys, I reckon this is it. Nuclee-ar combat toe to toe with the Ruskies."

Slim Pickens in Dr. Strangelove, or How I learned to love the bomb and stop worrying
(Stanley Kubrick)

"As you grow older, you'll find the only things you regret are the things you didn't do."

Zachary Scott in Mildred Pierce

Quotidian

Oh baby please don't kill me, you know I love
you, I ran out of gas, I had a flat tire, I
didn't have cab fare, my tux didn't come back
from the cleaners, an old friend came in from
out of town, there was an earthquake, a fire, a
terrible flood -- it wasn't my fault!

Jake Blues The Blues Brothers. Warner Bros,
1979.

'Of all the gin joints in all the towns in all
the world, she walks into mine.'

Humphrey Bogart Casablanca. Warner Bros.194

"Now what'll that asshole think of next?"

Slim Pickens Blazing Saddles

3

Quotidian

Quotidian II

Literature is language charged with meaning.
Great literature is simply language charged
with meaning to the utmost degree.

Ezra Pound

"Hanging is too good for a man who makes puns;
he should be drawn and quoted."

Fred Allen

"If I owned Texas and Hell, I would rent out
Texas and live in Hell."

Gen. Philip H. Sheridan
Speech 1855

"Nowher so bisy a man as he ther nas,
And yet semed bisier that he was."

Geoffry Chaucer
Canterbury Tales General Prologue, Lines 321-22

"The truth is the one thing that nobody will
believe."

George Bernard Shaw

I'm afraid of nothing, except being bored.

Greta Garbo in George Cukor's film, *Camille*
"Being frustrated is disagreeable, but the real
disasters of life begin when you get what you
want."

Irving Kristol, American Editor

"No doubt but ye are the people, and wisdom
shall die with you."

Book of Job 12:01

Know, first, who you are, and then adorn
yourself accordingly.

Epictetus

Quotidian

"Yes. Well that's the sort of blinkard,
philistine, pig-ignorance I've come to expect
from you non-creative garbage."

John Cleese
Monty Python's Flying Circus

—Haec alii sex
Vel plures conclamant ore.
(Six more at least join their consenting voice)
Juvenal Satire 7.166-67

There's a sucker born every minute.
P.T. Barnum

The eternal silence of space frightens me
Pascal

"If the automobile had followed the same
development cycle as the computer, a Rolls-
Royce would today cost \$100, get a million
miles per gallon, and explode once a year,
killing everyone inside."
Robert X. Cringly Infoworld

The worst thing about some men is that when
they are not drunk they are sober.
William Butler Yeats

Variety's the very spice of life.
William Cowper

"The poet's voice need not merely be the record
of man; it can be one of the props, the pillars
to help him endure and prevail."
William Faulkner, Nobel Prize Acceptance Speech

"Once a bitch, always bitch, what I say."
Jason Compson in William Faulkner's The Sound
and Fury

Wit is the salt of conversation, not the food.
William Hazlitt

Quotidian

I'll see you on the dark side of the moon.

Pink Floyd's Dark Side of the Moon

The Yankee is one who, if he once gets his teeth set on a thing, all creation can't make him let go.

Emerson

Fiction is to the grown man what play is to the child; it is there that he changes the atmosphere and tenor of his life.

Robert Louis Stevenson

The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives.

Robert Maynard Hutchins

Nobody's interested in sweetness and light.

Hedda Hopper

If fifty million people say a foolish thing it is still a foolish thing.

Anatole France

Every man is a damn fool for at least five minutes every day; wisdom consists of not exceeding the limit.

Elbert Hubbard

"I was the teacher's pet. She couldn't afford a dog"

Henny Youngman

Tis better to have loved and lost: Than never to have loved at all.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

It is a good thing for an uneducated man to read books of quotations.

Winston Churchill

Quotidian

Rules

If the facts do not conform to the theory, they must be modified.

Maier's Law

The only sure thing about luck is that it will change.

Wilson Mizner

- 1) Nothing is as easy as it looks
 - 2) Everything take longer than you think
 - 3) Anything that can go wrong, will go wrong
- Murphy's Law

In precise mathematical terms, $1 + 1 = 2$, where '=' is a symbol meaning "seldom if ever."

Addendum to Murphy's Law

Mr. Murphy was an optimist.

O'Toole's commentary on Murphey's Law

A Cardinal Rule of Politics: Never get caught in bed with a live man or a dead woman.

J.R. Ewing

There are two types of people: those who divide people into two types and those who don't.

Barth's Distinction

When in doubt, mumble.

Boren's First Law

A day without a crisis is a total loss.

Bramham's Theorom

Quotidian

Any sufficiently advanced technology is
indistinguishable from magic.

Clarke's (Third) Law (circa 1940)

It all depends.

Contingency Principle of Management

Some do, some don't.

Dibble's First Law of Sociology

Somewhere, right now, there is a committee
deciding your future, only you weren't invited.

Dochter's Dictum

The other line moves faster.

Ettore's Observation

To err is human, to forgive is not company
policy.

First Rule of Motivation

Brilliant opportunities are cleverly disguised
as unsolvable problems.

Gardner's Philosophy

If a research project is not worth doing, it is
not worth doing well.

Gordon's First Law

Inside every large problem is small problem
struggling to get out.

Hoar's Law of Problems

Every man has a scheme that won't work.

Howe's Law

Whatever hits the fan will not be evenly
distributed.

Law of Probable Dispersal

Quotidian

An object will fall so as to do the most damage possible.

Law of Selective Gravity

The chance of the bread falling with the jelly side down is directly proportional to the cost of the carpet.

Jenning's Corollary

Negative expectations yield negative results.

Positive expectations yield negative results.

Law of Expectations

The more relevant a piece of information, the more difficult it is to measure.

Longdon's Law

Anything that begins well ends badly.

Pubber's Observation

The first 90 percent of any project takes 90 percent of the time, and the last 10 percent takes the other 90 percent.

Rule of Projects

It works better if you plug it in.

Sattenger's First Law of Electronics

Don't try to fix nothing that ain't broke.

Scheuber's Hypothesis

If you can't be right, be wrong at the top of your voice.

Schultz's Specualtion

The quantity which, when multiplied by, divided by, added to or subtracted from the answer you get, gives the answer you should have gotten.

Skinner's Constant

Quotidian

It is easier to beg forgiveness than to seek permission.

St. Benedict's Dictum

In a hierarchy, every employee tends to rise to his level of incompetence.

The Peter Principle

Wisdom is not wisdom when it is derived from books alone.

Horace

Life is short, art long, opportunity fleeting, experience treacherous, judgement difficult.

Hippocrates

"... Where the speed of the elevator (S_{subE}) is inversely proportional to the number of times the button is pushed (P_{subB}) times the frustration constant ($subFK$)."

Bently's Elevator Law

The trouble with born again Christians is that they are an even bigger pain the second time around.

Herb Caen

Publishing is a folk art, not a science.

Feist's maxim (Raymond E. Feist)

Quotidian

Quotidian III

"If a writer has to rob his mother, he will not hesitate. The Ode to a Grecian Urn is worth any number of little old ladies."

William Faulkner Interview—1955

Thinking is a momentary dismissal of irrelevancies.

Bucky Fuller

If you can't convince them, confuse them.

Harry Truman

Language is the light of the mind.

John Stuart Mill

"A woman is only a woman, but a good cigar is a smoke."

Rudyard Kipling The Betrothed

No man has a good enough memory to make a successful liar.

Abraham Lincoln

The critical period in matrimony is breakfast-time

A. Herbert

A husband should tell his wife everything that he is sure she will find out.

Thomas Dewar

And malt does more than Milton can,
To justify God's ways to man."

A.E. Housman "Terrence..., this is stupid stuff"

No matter how much cats fight, there always seem to be plenty of kittens.

Abraham Lincoln

Quotidian

Just as appetite comes from eating, so work
brings inspiration, if inspiration is not
discernible at the beginning.

Igor Stravinsky

If death did not exist: it would be necessary
to invent it.

J.B. Milhaud

In an English ship, they say, it is poor grub,
poor pay, and easy work; in an American ship,
good grub, good pay, and hard work. And this
is applicable to the working populations of
both countries.

Jack London The People of the Abyss

God must love the common man, he made so many
of them.

Abraham Lincoln

Books serve to show a man that those original
thoughts of his aren't very new after all.

Abraham Lincoln

Flattery is all right – if you don't inhale.

Adlai Stevenson

That which seems the height of absurdity in one
generation often become the height of wisdom in
another.

Adlai Stevenson

I don't know why it is that the religious never
ascribe common sense to God.

Somerset Maugham

The unfortunate thing about this world is that
good habits are so much easier to give up than
bad ones.

Somerset Maugham

Quotidian

Only a mediocre writer is always at his best.
Somerset Maugham

In darkness one may be ashamed of what one
does, without the shame of disgrace.
Sophocles

... the most important thing to do in a store
is to keep rearranging stuff. Even if it's the
same stuff the fact that it's in a different
place and displayed differently week to week,
is a major key to retailing.
Stanley Marcus

Art is the Child of Pain.
Stephen Crane

"If this old ninny-woman, Fate, cannot do
better than this, she should be deprived of the
management of men's fortunes."
Stephen Crane The Open Boat

Advertising may be described as the science of
arresting the human intelligence long enough to
get money from it.
Stephen Leacock

All information should be free.
Stephen Levy

Mistrust Authority--Promote Decentralization.
Stephen Levy

Newspaper editors are men who separate the
wheat from the chaff, and then print the chaff.
Adlai Stevenson

All epoch-making revolutionary events have been
produced not by the written but by the spoken
word.
Adolf Hitler

Quotidian

Perfection of means and confusion of ends seem to characterize our age.

Albert Einstein

I never think of the future. It comes soon enough.

Albert Einstein

"For the rest of my life, I want to reflect on what a photon is."

Albert Einstein

An empty stomach is not a good political advisor.

Albert Einstein

Great spirits have always found violent opposition from mediocrities.

Albert Einstein

The important thing is not to stop questioning.

Albert Einstein

The most powerful force in the universe is compound interest.

Albert Einstein

To remain young one must change. The perpetual campus hero is not a young man but an old boy.

Alexander Chase

Democracy is the art of thinking independently together.

Alexander Meiklejohn

We may see the small value God has for riches by the people He gives them to.

Alexander Pope

A little Learning is dang'rous Thing;

Alexander Pope An Essay on Criticism

Quotidian

I am his Highness' dog at Kew;
Pray tell me, sir, whose dog are you?

Alexander Pope

"Engraved on the Collar of a Dog Which I Gave
to His Royal Highness"

True ease in writing comes from art, not chance
As those move easiest who have learned to
dance.

Alexander Pope An Essay on Criticism

And yet, believe me, good as well as ill,
Woman's at best a contradiction still.

Alexander Pope Epistle 2. To a Lady

Why did I write? what sin to me unknown
Dipt me in Ink, my Parents', or my own?

Alexander Pope Epistle to Arbuthnot

Damn with faint praise, assent with civil leer;
And without sneering, teach the rest to sneer;

Alexander Pope Epistle to Dr. Arbuthnot

If I had been present at creation, I would have
given some useful hints.

Alfonso the Wise

All truths are half-truths.

Alfred North Whitehead

There is no joy but calm.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

More things are wrought by prayer, than this
world dreams of.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Everybody's serious but me.

Allen Ginsburg America

When a thing has been said and said well, have
no scruple. Take it and copy it.

Anatole France

Quotidian

It is with noble sentiments that bad literature gets written.

André Gide

Whoever starts out toward the unknown must consent to venture alone.

André Gide

The most beautiful things are those that madness prompts and reason writes.

André Gide

"But at my back I always hear
Time's winged chariot hurrying near,"

Andrew Marvell To His Coy Mistress

Computers make it easier to do a lot of things,
but most of the things they make it easier to
do don't need to be done.

Andy Rooney

Pay attention to your enemies, for they are the first to discover your mistakes.

Antisthenes

You're about to learn a new way to use a computer. If this is your first experience with a computer, you're starting at a good time. If you've used "traditional" computers, you'll really appreciate the Macintosh difference.

Apple Computer -- Macintosh User's Manual 1984

Trust in Allah, but tie your camel.

Arabian proverb

That's the nature of women, not to love when we love them, and to love when we love them not.

Cervantes

A critic is a legless man who teaches running.

Channing Pollock

Quotidian

"Your borrowers of books—those mutilators of collections, spoilers of symmetry of shelves, and creators of odd volumes."

Charles Lamb

The aim of art is not to represent the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance.

Aristotle

Men come together in cities in order to live: they remain together in order to live the good life.

Aristotle

Poverty is the parent of revolution and crime.

Aristotle

Education is an ornament in prosperity and a refuge in adversity.

Aristotle

There is no great genius without a mixture of madness.

Aristotle

The end of labor is to gain leisure.

Aristotle

The state exists for the sake of a good life, and not for the sake of life only.

Aristotle

Wit is cultured insolence.

Aristotle

My idea of an agreeable person is a person who agrees with me.

Benjamin Disraeli

The devil is the author of confusion.

Benjamin Disraeli

Quotidian

Gut plus mind = good
Coordinate hand and eye = craft
Coordinate hand + eye + intellect + soul (gut)
= Art
Coordinate hand and either intellect or soul =
better craft but not Art

Arthur Allen Orman

A good newspaper, I suppose, is a nation
talking to itself.

Arthur Miller

A decision is the action an executive must take
when he has information so incomplete that the
answer does not suggest itself.

Arthur William Radford

The Gods do not deduct from a man's allotted
span the hours spent in fishing.

Babylonian Proverb

Yes and No are soon said, but give much to
think over.

Baltasar Gracián

Art hath an enemy called ignorance.

Ben Johnson

Youth is a blunder; manhood a struggle; old age
a regret.

Benjamin Disraeli

A man who is not a liberal at sixteen has no
heart; a man who is not a conservative at sixty
has no head.

Benjamin Disraeli

The wisdom of the wise and the experience of
the ages are perpetuated by quotations.

Benjamin Disraeli

Quotidian

The secret of success is constancy to purpose.
Benjamin Disraeli

You know who critics are? - the men who have
failed in literature and art.
Benjamin Franklin

A learned blockhead is a greater blockhead than
an ignorant one.
Benjamin Franklin

God heals and the doctor takes the fee.
Benjamin Franklin

If Jack's in love, he's no judge of Jill's
beauty.
Benjamin Franklin

Idleness and pride tax with a heavier hand than
kings and parliaments.
Benjamin Franklin

If you would not be forgotten as soon as you
are dead, either write things worth reading or
do things worth writing.
Benjamin Franklin

It is much easier to be critical than to be
correct.
Benjamin Johnson

Creativity varies inversely with the number of
cooks involved in the broth.
Bernice Fitz-Gibbon

Why is propaganda so much more successful when
it stirs up hatred than when it tries to stir
up friendly feelings?
Bertrand Russell

Nothing is miserable unless you think it is so.
Boethius

Quotidian

It is illegal in England to state in print that a wife can and should derive sexual pleasure from intercourse.

Bertrand Russell

Science is what you know, philosophy is what you don't know.

Bertrand Russell

Most people would sooner die than think; in fact, they do so.

Bertrand Russell

In my opinion, television validates existence.

Calvin (Bill Watterson)

Scientific Progress Goes Boink

He was like an exchange student from Uranus.

Michael Bishop Count Geiger's Blues

"Time is money; I don't have much of either."
Blaine M. Andersen

Nature confuses the skeptics and reason
confutes the dogmatists.

Blaise Pascal

A bank is a place that will lend you money if you can prove that you don't need it.

Bob Hope

In this world nothing is certain but death and taxes.

Benjamin Franklin

Mystics always hope that science will some day overtake them.

Booth Tarkington

Quotidian

I have no objections to churches so long as
they do not interfere with God's work.

Brooks Atkinson

"Sooner or later, time wounds all heels."

Bruce Feirstein Nice Guys Sleep Alone

Through zeal, knowledge is gotten, through lack
of zeal, knowledge is lost; let a man who knows
this double path of gain and loss thus place
himself that knowledge may grow.

Buddha

A man must serve his time to every trade: Save
Censure- Critics all are ready made.

Byron

Ready money is Aladdin's lamp.

Byron Don Juan

Show me a sane man and I will cure him for you.

C. G. Jung

"As I saw it, a scientific truth was a
hypothesis which might be adequate for the
moment but was not to be preserved as an
article of faith for all time."

Carl G. Jung Memories, Dreams and Reflections

If you don't say anything, you won't be called
on to repeat it.

Calvin Coolidge

I have discovered the art of fooling diplomats:
I speak the truth and they never believe me.

Camillo Di Cavour

Most men are within a finger's breadth of being
mad.

Diogenese

Quotidian

SLUTS: Successful Ladies Under Tremendous
Stress

The only thing we have to fear on the planet is
man.

Carl Jung

Slang is a language that rolls up its sleeves,
spits on its hands and goes to work.

Carl Sandburg

Wise men learn more from fools than fools from
wise men.

Cato

Socialism is workable only in heaven where it
isn't needed, and in hell where they've got it.

Cecil Palmer

Wommennes conseils been ful ofte colde;
Wommannes conseils broghte us first to wo
And made Adam fro Paradys to go,
Chaucer Nun's Priest's Tale, Canterbury Tales

Now, goode men, I prey yow herknerth alle:
Lo, how Fortune turneth sodeynly
The hope and pryde eek of hir enemy!
Chaucer Nun's Priest's Tale Canterbury Tales

O destinee, that mayest nat be eschewed!
Chaucer Nun's Priest's Tale, Canterbury Tales

Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day.
Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a
lifetime.

Chinese Proverb

A book is a mirror: if an ass peers into it,
you can't expect an apostle to look out.
Christoph Lichtenberg

Quotidian

In tragedy every moment is eternity; in comedy,
eternity is a moment.

Christopher Fry

"Man is a tool using animal... without tools he
is nothing, with tools he is all."

Thomas Carlyle

When down in the mouth, remember Jonah. He came
out all right.

Thomas Edison

The best thinking has been done in solitude.
The worst has been done in turmoil.

Thomas Edison

A man's home may seem to be his castle on the
outside; inside, it is more often his nursery.

Clare Boothe Luce

When I was a boy I was told that anybody could
become president; I'm beginning to believe it.

Clarence Darrow

Belief in one's identity as a poet or writer
prior to the acid test of publication is as
naive and harmless as the youthful belief in
one's immortality . . . and the inevitable
disillusionment is just as painful.

Martin Silenus

Dan Simmons Hyperion Cantos

Inconsistencies of opinion, arising from
changes of circumstances, are often
justifiable.

Daniel Webster

"He listens well who takes notes"

Dante Alighieri

To be wrong is nothing unless you continue to
remember it.

Confucius

Quotidian

Cicero

No man is so old as to think he can't live one more year.

They condemn what they do not understand.

Every stage of human life, except the last, is marked out by certain and defined limits; old age alone has no precise and determinate boundaries.

A room without books is a body without a soul.

The causes of events are ever more interesting than the events themselves.

Orators are most vehement when their cause is weak.

Would that I could discover truth as easily as I can uncover falsehood.

The function of wisdom is to discriminate between good and evil.

Anyone who denies reason to the stars must himself be devoid of reason

"Quo usque tandem abutere, Caitilina, patientia nostra?"

(How far then, Caitlin, will you push our patience?)

Cicero

First Caitilinarian Oration

Quotidian

Quotidian IV

Whenever I hear of birth control, I always remember that I was the fifth.

Clarence Darrow

The first half of our lives is ruined by our parents and the second half by our children.

Clarence Darrow

Information's pretty thin stuff, unless mixed with experience.

Clarence Day

To go beyond is as wrong as to fall short

Confucius

What you do not want done to yourself, do not do to others.

Confucius

A youth is to be regarded with respect. How do you know that his future will not be equal to our present?

Confucius

Remember happiness doesn't depend on who you are or what you have; it depends solely upon what you think.

Dale Carnegie

The race may not be to the swift nor the victory to the strong, but that's how you bet.

Damon Runyon

In the beginning was the Word. Then came the fucking word processor. Then came the thought processor. Then came the death of literature. And so it goes.

Martin Silenus in Dan Simmons' Hyperion

Quotidian

There is nothing so powerful as truth, - and
often nothing so strange.

Daniel Webster

"The hottest places in Hell are reserved for
those who in time of great moral crises
maintain their neutrality."

Dante Alighieri (1265-1321)

Writers should be read, but neither seen nor
heard.

Daphne Du Maurier

When I get a little money, I buy books; and if
any is left, I buy food and clothes.

Desiderius Erasmus

"S'il y a de la magie dans la technique, c'est
que l'artiste est magicien." (If there is
magic in the technique, then the artist is a
magician.)

Dominique de Bardonneche - Berglund

The soldier, above all other people, prays for
peace, for he must suffer and bear the deepest
wounds and scars.

Douglas Mac Arthur

Genuine scholarship is one of the highest
successes which our race can achieve.

E. M. Forster Aspects of the Novel

Everything in life is somewhere else, and you
get there in a car.

E.B. White

Growth for the sake of growth is the ideology
of the cancer cell.

Edward Abbey

The whole of science is nothing more than a
refinement of everyday thinking.

Einstein

Quotidian

"Gravity is made by the Gravco Corporation in Greenwich, Connecticut, a small mom-and-pop operation that has supplied the world's gravitational needs for thousands of years. The recipe for gravity is a secret, protected by seventeen patents, but some of the process is public knowledge.

"Take twelve parts Elmer's glue, four parts centrifugal force, five parts electromagnetic radiation; stir in a bag of snips, snails, puppy dog tails, calico, gingham, the smiles of a summer night—it's all kind of sappy and sentimental, really, but it beats floating off into the vacuum of space and imploding."

Duck's Breath Mystery Theater

"Unsavory legumes and watery fiction are both offensive to the palate."

Jimmy Buffett's A Pirate Looks at 50

Politics should be the part-time profession of every citizen.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

What counts is not necessarily the size of the dog in the fight - it's the size of the fight in the dog.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

I'm living so far beyond my income that we may almost be said to be living apart.

e e cummings

It is impossible to see modern life steadily and see it whole, and she had chosen to see it whole. Mr. Wilcox saw steadily. He never bothered over the mysterious or the private.

E. M. Forster Howard's End

Quotidian

... our thesis: the basis of a novel is a story, and a story is a narrative of events arranged in time sequence.

E. M. Forster Aspects of the Novel

"... one doesn't ask plain questions. There aren't such things."

E.M. Forster Howard's End

The greatest mistake you can make in life is to be continually fearing you will make one.

Elbert Hubbard

Christianity supplies a Hell for the people who disagree with you and a Heaven for your friends.

Elbert Hubbard

There are six requisites in every happy marriage. The first is Faith and the remaining five are Confidence.

Elbert Hubbard

Be yourself and speak your mind today, though it contradict all you have said before.

Elbert Hubbard

The most disadvantageous peace is better than the most just war.

Erasmus

In the nineteenth century the problem was that God is dead; in the twentieth century the problem is that man is dead.

Erich Fromm

Every great artist was first an amateur.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Quotidian

Emerson

Whatever limits us, we call Fate.

Coffee is good for talent, but genius wants prayer.

God is our name for the last generalization to which we can arrive.

When the eyes say one thing, and the tongue another, a practised man relies on the language of the first.

Do not be too timid and squeamish about your actions. All life is an experiment.

A man's wife has more power over him than the state has.

If a man own land, the land owns him. Now let him leave home, if he dare.

We learn geology the morning after the earthquake.

What is the hardest task in the world? To think.

Common sense is as rare as genius.

Every vice is only an exaggeration of a necessary and virtuous function.

The god of Victory is said to be one-handed, but Peace gives victory to both sides.

Quotidian

If you would be a reader, read; if a
writer, write.

Epictetus

The man least dependent upon the morrow goes to
meet the morrow most cheerfully.

Epicurus

Why attack God? He may be as miserable as we
are.

Erik Satie

For a true writer, each book should be a new
beginning where he tries again for something
that is beyond attainment. He should always
try for something that has never been done or
that others have tried and failed.

Ernest Hemingway Nobel Prize Acceptance Speech

Too much zeal offends: where indirection works.

Euripides

If politicians and scientists were lazier, how
much happier we should all be.

Evelyn Waugh

Only when one has lost all curiosity about the
future has one reached the age to write an
autobiography.

Evelyn Waugh

No grand idea was ever born in a conference,
but a lot of foolish ideas have died there.

F.Scott Fitzgerald

Where there are two, one cannot be wretched,
and one not.

Euripides

Broken hearts are for assholes.

Frank Zappa

Quotidian

Whom the gods would destroy they first make
mad.

Euripides

Youth is the best time to be rich; and the best
time to be poor.

Euripides

Television—a medium. So called because it is
neither rare nor well done.

Ernie Kovacs

Prosperity discovers vice, adversity discovers
virtue.

Francis Bacon

Reading maketh a full man, conference a ready
man, and writing an exact man.

Francis Bacon

An atheist is a man who believes himself to be
an accident.

Francis Thompson

A liberal is a man who will give away
everything he doesn't own.

Frank Dane

Rome had Senators too, that's why it declined.

Frank Dane

Most parents don't worry about a daughter until
she fails to show up for breakfast. Then it's
too late.

Frank Hubbard

Drink moderately, for drunkenness neither keeps
a secret, nor observes a promise.

Cervantes

Quotidian

The human species, according to the best theory I can form of it, is composed of two distinct races, the men who borrow, and the men who lend.

Charles Lamb

I have a new philosophy. I'm only going to dread one day at a time.

Charles Schulz

"God made us to be just like Him, so if we're dumb, then God is dumb and maybe a little on the ugly side."

Frank Zappa

We do our best that we know how at the moment, and if it doesn't turn out, we modify it.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

The only thing we have to fear is fear itself.

Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Insanity in individuals is something rare, but in groups, parties, nations and epochs it is the rule.

Friedrich Nietzsche

He who cannot lie does not know what the truth is.

Friedrich Nietzsche

Coincidences are spiritual puns.

G.K. Chesterton

I never forget a face... in your case I'll make an exception...

G.Marx

"Old Generals don't die, they just fade away."

General Douglas MacArthur

Quotidian

"We have many men of science; too few men of God. We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount. The world has achieved brilliance without conscience. Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants."

General Omar Bradley

"This world nys, but a thurghfare ful of wo,/
And we been pilgrymes, passynge to and fro."

Geoffry Chaucer The Canterbury Tales

"A man who could make so vile a pun would not scruple to pick a pocket."

John Dennis

All honor's mimic, all wealth alchemy.

John Donne The Sun Rising

How easy 'tis when Destiny proves kind: With
full-spread sails to run before the wind!

John Dryden

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.

Eleanor Roosevelt

Even victors are by victory undone.

John Dryden

The chief value in going to college is that
it's the only way to learn it really doesn't
matter.

George Edwin Howes

Colleges don't make fools, they only develop
them.

George Horace Lorimer

I drink to make other people more interesting.

George Jean Nathan

Quotidian

George Bernard Shaw

All great truths begin as blasphemies.

The test of a man or woman's breeding is how they behave in a quarrel.

If all economists were laid end to end, they would not reach a conclusion.

Gambling promises the poor what property performs for the rich: something for nothing.

Democracy is a device that insures we shall be governed no better than we deserve.

An Englishman thinks he is moral when he is only uncomfortable.

A life spent in making mistakes is not only more honorable but more useful than a life spent doing nothing.

There is only one religion, though there are a hundred versions of it.

We are told that when Jehovah created the world He saw that it was good: What would He say now?

My way of joking is telling the truth: that is the funniest joke in the world.

Life does not cease to be funny when people die any more than it ceases to be serious when people laugh.

There is no sincerer love than the love of food.

Quotidian

It's just as unpleasant to get more than you bargain for as to get less.

The reasonable man adapts himself to the world; the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man.

He knows nothing; he thinks he knows everything – that clearly points to a political career.

Science is always simple and always profound. It is only half-truths that are dangerous

All professions are conspiracies against the laity.

Success covers a multitude of blunders.

Assassination is the extreme form of censorship.

"My main reason for adopting literature as a profession was that, as the author is never seen by his clients, he need not dress respectably."

Quotidian

Young men think old men are fools; but old men know young men are fools.

George Chapman

Advertising is the rattling of a stick inside a swill bucket.

George Orwell

Art like life, should be free, since both are experimental.

George Santayana

It is rash to intrude upon the piety of others: both the depth and the grace of it elude the stranger.

George Santayana

For Shakespeare, in the matter of religion, the choice lay between Christianity and nothing. He chose nothing.

George Santayana

Those who cannot remember the past are doomed to repeat it.

George Santayana

Theory helps us to bear our ignorance of facts.

George Santayana

A man's feet must be planted in his country, but his eyes should survey the world.

George Santayana

What history teaches us is that men have never learned anything from it.

George Wilhelm Hegel

Art is meant to disturb. Science reassures.

Georges Braque

War is too important to be left to the generals.

Georges Clemenceau

Quotidian

H.L. Mencken

A cynic is a man who, when he smells flowers looks around for a coffin.

Change is not progress.

Democracy is the art of running the circus from the monkey cage.

Democracy is the theory that the common people know what they want, and deserve to get it good and hard.

It is more blessed to give than receive; for example, wedding presents

A man may be a fool and not know it, but not if he is married.

No one ever went broke underestimating the taste of the American public.

There's always a easy solution to every human problem – neat, plausible, and wrong.

What men value in this world is not rights but privileges.

The older I grow the more I distrust the familiar doctrine that age brings wisdom.

Man is a natural polygamist: he always has one woman leading him by the nose, and another hanging on to his coattails.

Quotidian

I never did give anybody hell. I just told the truth and they thought it was hell.

Harry Truman

A statesman is a politician who has been dead ten or fifteen years.

Harry Truman

One should forgive one's enemies, but not before they are hanged.

Heinrich Heine

Love the quest; marriage the conquest; divorce the inquest.

Helen Rowland

Marriage is the miracle that transforms a kiss from a pleasure into a duty.

Helen Rowland

One man's folly is another man's wife.

Helen Rowland

The intelligent man finds almost everything ridiculous, the sensible man hardly anything.

Goethe

You must either conquer and rule or serve and lose, suffer or triumph, be the anvil or the hammer.

Goethe

Expert: Someone who brings confusion to simplicity.

Gregory Nunn

Time flies like an arrow; fruit flies like a banana.

Groucho Marx

Quotidian

Adapt or perish, now as ever, is Nature's
inexorable imperative.

H.G. Wells

A little inaccuracy sometimes saves tons of
explanation.

H.H. Munro

Failing to be there when a man wants her is a
woman's greatest sin, except to be there when
he doesn't want her.

Helen Rowland

Charm: that quality in others of making us more
satisfied with ourselves.

Henri Frederic Amiel

Young men have a passion for regarding their
elders as senile.

Henry Adams

Water is the only drink for a wise man.

Henry David Thoreau

Live your life , do your work, then take your
hat.

Henry David Thoreau

He is blessed over all mortals who loses no
moment of the passing life in remembering the
past.

Henry David Thoreau

Lo! Men have become the tools of their tools.

Henry David Thoreau

It is not the employer who pays wages – he only
handles the money. It is the product that pays
the wages.

Henry Ford

Quotidian

"The ultimate worth of the work of art is the humanity of the artist."

Henry James Preface to Portrait of a lady

Men will let you abuse them if only you will make them laugh.

Henry Ward Beecher

Oh, you think she's shabby, but you must allow for the alchemy of art.

Henry James The Real Thing

Every one has conscience enough to hate; few have religion enough to love.

Henry Ward Beecher

Well-married, a man is winged - illmatched, he is shackled.

Henry Ward Beecher

Although it is better to hide our ignorance, this is hard to do when we relax over wine.

Heraclitus

God is day and night, winter and summer, war and peace, satiety and want.

Heraclitus

It is not the going out of port, but the coming in, that determines the success of a voyage

Henry Ward Beecher

You cannot step twice into the same river, for other waters are continually flowing in.

Heraclitus

It is just as important that business keep out of government as that government keep out of business.

Herbert Hoover

Quotidian

Wisdom consists not so much in knowing what to do in the ultimate as in knowing what to do next.

Herbert Hoover

Nothing is permanent but change.

Heraclitus

Eyes are more accurate witnesses than ears.

Heraclitus

Blessed are the young for they shall inherit the national debt.

Herbert Hoover

"A city is a large community where people are lonesome together."

Herbert Prochnow

Of all men's miseries the bitterest is this, to know so much and to have control over nothing.

Herodotus

Religions change: beer and wine remain.

Hervey Allen

Wherever the art of medicine is loved, there is also a love of humanity.

Hippocrates

To do nothing is also a good remedy.

Hippocrates

It is equally offensive to speed a guest who would like to stay and to detain one who is anxious to leave.

Homer

Bureaucracy is a giant mechanism operated by pygmies.

Honoré de Balzac

Quotidian

If we all said to people's faces what we say
behind one another's backs, society would be
impossible.

Honoré de Balzac

The secret of all good writing is sound
judgement.

Horace

The passing years steal from us one thing after
another.

Horace

If you would be powerful, pretend to be
powerful.

Horne Tooke

But with the throttle screwed on there is only
the barest margin, and no room at all for
mistakes. It has to be done right... and
that's when the strange music starts, when you
stretch your luck so far that fear becomes
exhilaration and vibrates along your arms. You
can barely see at a hundred; the tears blow
back so fast that they vaporize before they get
to your ears. The only sounds are wind and a
dull roar floating back from the mufflers.

Hunter S. Thompson

Hell's Angels: A Strange and Terrible Saga

It is better to know some of the questions than
all of the answers.

James Thurber

No statue has ever been put up to a critic.

Jean Sibelius

If you have a computer and you don't have a
modem, you're bizarre.

Jean-Louis Gassée

Quotidian

It is not enough to pay attention to words only when you face the task of writing for publication – that is like playing the violin only on the night of the concert. You must attend the words when you read, when you speak, when others speak, in casual conversation.

Jacques Barzun

"The optimist proclaims that we live in the best of all possible worlds, and the pessimists fears that this is true."

James Branch Cabell in "The Silver Stallion"

If the newspapers are useful in overthrowing tyrants, it is only to establish a tyranny of their own.

James Fenimore Cooper

Behind every great fortune there is a crime.

Honoré de Balzac

Poetry is like painting: one piece takes your fancy if you stand close to it, another if you keep at some distance.

Horace

Once begun: a task is easy: half the work is done.

Horace

Granting our wish is one of Fate's saddest jokes.

James Russell Lowell

Whatever you may be sure of, be sure of this – that you are dreadfully like other people.

James Russell Lowell

You can fool too many people too much of the time.

James Thurber

Quotidian

Everything has been figured out except how to live.

Jean-Paul Satre

A neurotic is a man who builds a castle in the air. A psychotic is the man who lives in it. A psychiatrist is the man who collects the rent.

Jerome Lawrence

"Listen, real poetry doesn't say anything, it just ticks off the possibilities. Opens all doors. You can walk through any one that suits you."

Jim Morrison Wilderness, Volume 1: The lost writings of Jim Morrison

"Proper words in proper places, make the true definition of a style."

Joathan Swift Letter to a young Clergyman

If you drink like a fish, don't drive swim.

Joe E. Lewis

Nothing would be too low for me to do:
prostitution, theft, drug-running, murder,
working as a used-car salesman.

Joe R. Lansdale The Drive In 2

Being a woman is a terribly difficult trade, since it consists principally of dealing with men.

Joesph Conrad

To teach is to learn twice over.

Joesph Joubert

The devil is a gentleman who never goes where he is not welcome.

John A. Lincoln

One may return to the place of his birth. He cannot go back to his youth.

John Burroughs

Quotidian

When a dog bites a man, that is not news,
because it happens so often. But if a man bites
a dog, that is news.

John B. Bogart Story of New York Sun

But dying is a pleasure
When living is a pain.

John Dryden A Song from THE SPANISH FRIAR

"Great wits are sure to madness alli'd,
And thin partitions do their bounds divide;"

John Dryden Absalom and Achitophel

Or who can shun inevitable fate?

John Dryden The Cock and the Fox

Washington is a city of Southern efficiency and
Northern charm.

John F. Kennedy

A lecture is an occasion when you numb one end
to benefit the other.

John Gould

Forgive your enemies, but never forget their
names.

John Kennedy

"I refuse to 'look up.' Optimisim nauseates
me. It is perverse. Since man's fall, his
proper position in the universe has been one of
misery."

John Kennedy Toole A Confederacy of Dunces

There is no wealth but life.

John Ruskin

A healthy male adult bore consumes each year
one and a half times his own weight in other
people's patience.

John Updike

Quotidian

Jonathan Swift

For in reason, all government without the consent of the governed is slavery.

Vision is the art of seeing things invisible.

The best doctors in the world are Doctor Diet, Doctor Quiet, and Doctor Merryman.

Some men, under the notion of weeding out prejudices, eradicate virtue, honesty, and religion

Promises and piecrust are made to be broken.

Men are contented to be laughed at for their wit, but not for their folly.

It is observed, that the Red-haired of both sexes are more libidinous and mischievous than the rest, whom they much exceed in Strength and Activity.

A man should never be ashamed to own he has been in the wrong, which is but saying, in other words, that he is wiser today than he was yesterday.

"... whoever could make two ears of corn, or two blades of grass, to grow upon a spot of ground where only one grew before, would deserve better of mankind, and do more essential service to his country, than the whole race of politicians put together."

"When a true genius appears in the world, you may know him by this sign, that the dunces are all in confederacy against him."

Thoughts on Various Subjects,
Moral and Diverting

Quotidian

A fine quotation is a diamond on the finger of a man of wit, and a pebble in the hand of a fool.

Joseph Roux

When we hang the capitalists they will sell us the rope we use.

Joseph Stalin

If you really want to hurt your parents, and don't have the nerve to be a homosexual, then go into the arts.

Kurt Vonnegut

The hunger for applause is the source for all conscious literature and heroism.

La Rochefoucauld

In youth one has tears without grief; in age, griefs without tears.

Joseph Roux

A single death is a tragedy, a million deaths is a statistic.

Joseph Stalin

Good swiping is an art in itself.

Jules Feiffer

I finally know what distinguishes man from the other beasts, financial worries.

Jules Renard

As a rule, what is out of sight disturbs men's minds more seriously than what they see.

Julius Caesar

"The making of a journalist: no ideas and the ability to express them."

Karl Kraus

Quotidian

Landlords, like all other men, love to reap
where they never sowed.

Karl Marx

Philosophy is to the real world as masturbation
is to sex.

Karl Marx

A critic is a man who knows the way but can't
drive the car.

Kenneth Tynan

Only a rank degenerate would drive 1,500 miles
across Texas without eating a chicken fried
steak.

Larry McMurtry In a Narrow Grave

The average cowboy is an excellent judge of
horseflesh, only a fair judge of men, and a
terrible judge of women, particularly "good
women."

Larry McMurtry In a Narrow Grave

Love is an ocean of emotions entirely
surrounded by expenses.

Lord Dewar

Years ago someone pointed out that Texas is
hell on women and horses. He was wrong about
horses, for most horses are considered to be
valuable, and are treated well.

Larry McMurtry In a Narrow Grave

Let them eat cake

M. Antoinette

The world has narrowed into a neighborhood
before it has broadened into a brotherhood.

Lyndon B. Johnson

Quotidian

If this truly the era of the Absurd, then all the better for the Texas writer, for where else except California can one find a richer mixture of absurdities?

Larry McMurtry In a Narrow Grave

Being a writer and a Texan is an amusing fate, one that gets funnier as one's sense of humor darkens. In times like these it verges on the macabre.

Larry McMurtry In a Narrow Grave

If you don't know where you are going, you will probably end up somewhere else.

Lawrence J. Peter

It's possible to own too much. A man with one watch knows what time it is; a man with two watches is never quite sure.

Lee Segal

Every day people are straying away from the church and going back to God.

Lennie Bruce

The greatest deception men suffer is from their own opinions.

Leonardo da Vinci

As every divided kingdom falls, so every mind divided between many studies confounds and saps itself.

Leonardo da Vinci

"Curiouser and curiouser!" cried Alice (she was so much surprised, that for the moment she quite forgot how to speak good English).

Lewis Carroll Alice in Wonderland

When we talk to God, we're praying. When God talks to us we're schizophrenic.

Lily Tomlin

Quotidian

If love is the answer could you rephrase the question?

Lily Tomlin

Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern, but impossible to enslave.

Lord Brougham

The U.S. is having the same trouble as Rome in it's search for defensible frontiers.

Lord Curzon

I owe all my success in life to having been always a quarter of an hour before my time.

Lord Nelson

A man in the house is worth two in the street.

Mae West

A man has one hundred dollars and you leave him with two dollars, that's subtraction.

Mae West

Men who never get carried away should be.

Malcom Forbes

If you have a job without aggravations, you don't have a job.

Malcom Forbes

The art of living is more like wrestling than dancing.

Marcus Aurelius

Our life is what our thoughts make it.

Marcus Aurelius

And thou wilt give thyself relief, if thou doest every act of thy life as if it were the last.

Marcus Aurelius

Quotidian

Women want mediocre men, and men are working
hard to be as mediocre as possible.

Margaret Mead

"We have to respect, I feel, the accidental
nature of creative work."

Mark Harris

Wandering between two worlds, one dead,
The other powerless to be born

Matthew Arnold
(Stanzas from the Green Chartreuse)

Incongruity is the mainspring of laughter.

Max Beerbohm

When work is a pleasure, life is a joy! When
work is a duty, life is slavery.

Maxim Gorky

He who hesitates is a damned fool

May West

Men are more easily governed through their
vices than through their virtue.

Napoleon I

People who work sitting down get paid more than
people who work standing up.

Ogden Nash

Diplomacy: lying in state

Oliver Herford

Fashion is only the attempt to realize Art in
living forms and social intercourse.

Oliver Wendell Holmes

An intellectual is someone whose mind watches
itself.

Albert Camus

Quotidian

Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens)

There was a thing or two he stretched, but mainly he told the truth. That is nothing. I never seen anybody but lied one time or another.....

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

Crank—a man with a new idea until it succeeds.

There are no grades of vanity, there are only grades of ability in concealing it.

Why shouldn't the truth be stranger than fiction. Fiction, after all, has to make sense.

If you tell the truth you don't have to remember anything.

I am an old man and have known a great many troubles, but most of them never happened.

The secret source of humor is not joy but sorrow. There is no humor in heaven.

There are two times in a man's life when he should speculate: when he can't afford it and when he can.

Mark Twain

You can't depend on your judgement when your imagination is out of focus.

A lie can travel half way around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes.

I am different than Washington; I have a higher, grander standard of principle. Washington could not lie. I can lie, but I won't.

Quotidian

What a wee little part of a person's life are his acts and his words! His real life is led in his head, and is known to none but himself.

The highest pleasure to be got out of freedom, and having nothing to do, is labor.

The radical invents the views. When he has worn them out, the conservative adopts them.

Name the greatest of all the inventors.
Accident.

Nature knows no indecencies; man invents them.

Fame is a vapor, popularity an accident; the only earthly certainty is oblivion.

To be good is noble, but to teach others how to be good is nobler: and less trouble.

The man who is a pessimist before forty-eight knows too much; if he is an optimist after it he knows too little.

There is no sadder sight than a young pessimist.

Good friends, good books and a sleepy conscience: this is the ideal life.

The man who doesn't read good books has no advantage over the man who can't read them.

There are three kinds of lies - lies, damned lies and statistics.

Love seems the swiftest, but it is the slowest of all growths. No man or woman really knows what perfect love is until they have been married a quarter of a century.

Quotidian

We may not pay Satan reverence, for that would be indiscreet, but we can at least respect his talents.

In his private heart no man much respects himself.

Irreverence is the champion of liberty and its only sure defense.

When in doubt, tell the truth.

Under certain circumstances, profanity provides a relief denied even to prayer.

Prosperity is the best protector of principle.

Let us swear while we may, for in heaven it will not be allowed.

One can enjoy a rainbow without necessarily forgetting the forces that made it.

Good breeding consists in concealing how much we think of ourselves and how little we think of other persons.

Often, the surest way to convey misinformation is to tell the strict truth.

I believe that our Heavenly Father invented man because he was disappointed in the monkey.

Classic: A book which people praise and don't read.

Have a place for everything and keep the thing somewhere else. This is not advice, it is merely custom.

Quotidian

Suppose you were an idiot and suppose you were a member of Congress. But I repeat myself.

When you cannot get a compliment in any other way pay yourself one.

The two most organized things the world has ever known: the Prussian Army and the Mormon Church.

The difference between the right word and the almost right word is the difference between lightning and the lightning bug.

Wrinkles should merely indicate where smiles have been.

We write frankly and freely but then we modify before we print.

Wit is the sudden marriage of ideas which before their union were not perceived to have any relation.

We are all alike on the inside.

There was a thing or two he stretched, but mainly he told the truth. That is nothing. I never seen anybody but lied one time or another.....

Huck Finn in Mark Twain's The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn (page 1)

I was gratified to be able to answer promptly. I said I didn't know.

A man cannot be uncomfortable without his own approval.

Quotidian

Familiarity breeds contempt - and children.

Get your facts first, then you can distort 'em
as you please.

Everyone is a moon and has a dark side which he
never shows to anybody.

Let us be thankful for the fools. But for them
the rest of us could not succeed.

Its easier to stay out than get out

The proper office of a friend is to side with
you when you are in the wrong. Nearly anybody
will side with you when you are right.

There is a charm about the forbidden that makes
it unspeakably desirable.

I have never let my schooling interfere with my
education.

The alter cloth of one aeon is the doormat of
the next.

To eat is human, to digest, divine.

Man will do many things to get himself loved;
he will do all things to get himself envied.

An ethical man is a Christian holding four
aces.

The right word may be effective, but no word
was ever as effective as a rightly timed pause.

Quotidian

Man is the only animal that blushes. Or needs to.

Following the Equator

A home without a cat—and well-fed, well petted and properly revered cat—may be a perfect home, perhaps, but how can it prove title?

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Soap and Education are not as sudden as a massacre, but they are more deadly in the long run.

All the modern inconveniences

Remark of Dr. Baldwin's, concerning upstarts:
We don't care to eat toadstools that think they are truffles.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

October. This is one month of the peculiarly dangerous months to speculate in stocks in. The others are July, January, September, April, November, May, March, June, December, August, and February.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

The true Southern watermelon is a boon apart, and not to be mentioned with commoner things. It is chief of this world's luxuries, king by the grace of God over all the fruits of the earth. When one has tasted it, he knows what angels eat.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Quotidian

Why is it we rejoice at a birth and grieve at a funeral? It is because we are not the one involved.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

When angry, count four; when very angry, swear.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

It is easy to find fault, if one has the disposition. There was once a man who, not being able to find any other fault with his coal, complained that there were too many prehistoric toads in it.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

One of the striking differences between a cat and a lie is that a cat only has nine lives.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

The holy passion of friendship is of so sweet and steady and loyal and enduring a nature that it will last through a whole lifetime, if not asked to lend money.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Nothing so needs reforming as other people's habits.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Behold the fool saith, "Put not all thine eggs in the one basket"—which is but a manner of saying, "Scatter your money and your attention"; but the wise man saith, "Put all your eggs in the one basket and—WATCH THAT BASKET."

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Quotidian

When I reflect upon the number of disagreeable people who I know have gone to a better world, I am moved to lead a different life.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Adam was but human—this explains it all. He did not want the apple for the apple's sake, he wanted it only because it was forbidden. The mistake was in not forbidding the serpent: then he would have eaten the serpent.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Tell the truth or trump—but get the trick.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

There is no character, howsoever good and fine, but it can be destroyed by ridicule, howsoever poor and witless. Observe the ass, for instance: his character is about perfect, he is the choicest spirit among all the humbler animals, yet see what ridicule

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Whoever has lived long enough to find out what life is, knows how deep a debt of gratitude we owe to Adam, the first great benefactor of our race. He brought death into the world.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Training is everything. The peach was once a bitter almond; cauliflower is nothing but cabbage with a college education.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

All say, "How hard it is that we have to die"—a strange complaint to come from the mouth of people who have had to live.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Quotidian

Adam and Eve had many advantages, but the principal one was, that they escaped teething.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

There is this trouble about special providences—namely, there is so often a doubt as to which party was intended to be the beneficiary. In the case of the children, the bears, and the prophet, the bears got more real satisfaction out of the episode than

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Few things are harder to put up with than the annoyance of a good example.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

July 4. Statistics show that we lose more fools on this day than in all the other days of the year put together. This proves, by the number left in stock, that only one Fourth of July per year is now inadequate, the country has grown so.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Gratitude and treachery are merely the two extremities of the same procession. You have seen all of it that is worth staying for when the band and the gaudy official have gone by.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

It were not best that we should all think alike; it is the difference of opinion that makes horse-races.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

October 12, the Discovery. It was wonderful to find America, but it would have been more wonderful to miss it.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Quotidian

It is often the case that the man who can't tell a lie thinks he is the best judge of one.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Even the clearest and most perfect circumstantial evidence is likely to be at fault, after all, and therefore ought to be received with great caution. Take the case of any pencil, sharpened by any woman: if you have witnesses, you will find she did it with a knife.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

He is useless on top of the ground; he ought to be under it, inspiring the cabbages.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear—not absence of fear.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Consider well the proportions of things. It is better to be a young June-bug than an old bird of paradise.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

April 1. This is the day upon which we are reminded of what we are like on the other three hundred and sixty-four.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Thanksgiving Day. Let us all give humble, hearty, and sincere thanks, now, but the turkeys. In the islands of Fiji they do not use turkeys; they use plumbers. It does not become you and me to sneer at Fiji.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Mark Twain

Quotidian

There are three infallible ways of pleasing an author, and the three form a rising scale of compliment: 1, to tell him you have read one of his books; 2, to tell him you have read all of his books; 3, to ask him to let you read the manuscript of his forthcoming book. No. 1 admits you to his respect; No. 2 admits you to his admiration; No. 3 carries you clear into his heart.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

As to the Adjective: when in doubt, strike it out.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Habit is habit, and not to be flung out of the window by any man, but coaxed down the stairs a step at a time.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Even popularity can be overdone. In Rome, along at first, you are full of regrets that Michelangelo died; but, by and by you only regret that you didn't see him do it.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Let us endeavor so to live that when we come to die even the undertaker will be sorry.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

We know all about the habits of the ant, we know all about the habits of the bee, but we know nothing at all about the habits of the oyster. It seems almost certain that we have been choosing the wrong time for studying the oyster.

Pudd'nhead Wilson

Quotidian

Quotidian V

An archaeologist is the best husband any woman can have; the older she gets, the more interested he is in her.

Agatha Christie

In giving advice I advise you, be short.

Horace

There's no need to hang about waiting for the Last Judgement - it takes place every day.

Albert Camus

The art of teaching is the art of assisting discovery.

Mark Van Doren

Women are never stronger than when they arm themselves with their weaknesses.

Marquise du Deffand

He does not write at all whose poems no man reads.

Martial

Tomorrow is nothing, today is too late, the good lived yesterday.

Martial

There is no more lovely, friendly and charming relationship, communion, or company than a good marriage.

Martin Luther

We have genuflected before the god of science only to find that it has given us the atomic bomb, producing fears and anxieties that science can never mitigate.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Quotidian

Do not ever trust people that tell you not to worry. Especially if it involves a computer.

Neil Shapiro

Idleness is the parent of all psychology.

Nietzsche

The school of hard knocks is an accelerated curriculum.

Menander

I quote others only the better to express myself.

Michel de Montaigne

A man paints with his hands and not with his brain.

Michelangelo

Lord grant that I may always desire more than I can accomplish.

Michelangelo

A proverb is a short sentence based on a long experience.

Miguel de Cervantes

The ink of the scholar is more sacred than the blood of the martyr.

Mohammed

Force, violence, pressure, or compulsion with a view to conformity, are both uncivilized and undemocratic.

Mohandas Gandhi

And now for something completely different

Monty Python's Flying Circus

Spam?

Monty Python's Flying Circus

Quotidian

Mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the midday
sun.

N. Coward

Ability is nothing without opportunity.

Napoleon

I feel sorry for people who don't drink. When
they wake up in the morning, that's as good as
they're going to feel all day.

Frank Sinatra

When we drink, we get drunk. When we get drunk,
We fall asleep. When we fall asleep, we commit
no sin. When we commit no sin, we go to heaven.
So, let's all Get drunk and go to heaven!

Brian O'Rourke

Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to
be happy.

Benjamin Franklin

The simplest schoolboy is now familiar with
truths for which Archimedes would have
sacrificed his life.

Ernest Renan

My problem is reconciling my gross habits with
my net income

Errol Flynn

Without question, the greatest invention in the
History of mankind is beer. Oh, I grant you
that the Wheel was also a fine invention, but
the wheel does not go nearly as well with
pizza.

Dave Barry

We often get in quicker by the back door than
by the front.

Napoleon

Quotidian

History is a set of lies agreed upon.

Napoleon

If you wish to be a success in the world,
promise everything, deliver nothing.

Napoleon

That which does not kill me makes me stronger.

Nietzsche

Love is more afraid of change than destruction.

Nietzsche

Woman understand children better than man does,
but man is more childlike than woman.

Nietzsche

Nothing on earth consumes a man more quickly
than the passion of resentment.

Nietzsche

The more you let yourself go, the less others
let you go.

Nietzsche

Politicians are the same all over. They promise
to build a bridge where there is no river.

Nikita Khrushchev

The higher the buildings, the lower the morals.

Noel Coward

In my sex fantasy, nobody every loves me for my
mind.

Nora Ephron

Government in the U.S. today is a senior
partner in every business in the country.

Norman Cousins

Quotidian

The function of socialism is to raise suffering
to a higher level.

Norman Mailer

Progress may have been all right once but it
has gone on too long.

Ogden Nash

Middle age is when you're sitting at home on a
Saturday night and the telephone rings and you
hope it isn't for you.

Ogden Nash

For my part I think it less evil that some
criminals should escape than that the
government should play an ignoble part.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.

Lawyers spend a great deal of their time
shoveling smoke.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.

Gluttony is not a secret vice.

Orson Welles

I've given up reading books. I find it takes my
mind off myself.

Oscar Levant

A short absence is safest.

Ovid

The mightiest rivers lose their force when
split up into several streams.

Ovid

By yielding you may obtain victory.

Ovid

Isn't the best defense always a good attack?

Ovid

Quotidian

Oscar Wilde

Experience is the name everyone gives to their mistakes.

Always forgive your enemies—nothing annoys them so much.

Only the shallow know themselves.

"Only dull people are brilliant at breakfast"

"Men marry because they are tired, women because they are curious; both are disappointed."

Nowadays we know the price of everything and the value of nothing.

It is better to have a permanent income than to be fascinating.

It is better to be beautiful than good. But—it is better to be good than ugly.

Work is the curse of the drinking class.

The old believe everything; the middle-aged suspect everything; the young know everything.

Children begin by loving their parents. After a time they judge them. Rarely, if ever, do they forgive them.

Quotidian

I am not young enough to know everything.

Youth smiles without any reason. It is one of its chiefest charms.

"Youth is such a wonderful time; it's such a pity to waste it on children."

"All art is quite useless."

There are two ways of disliking poetry; one way is to dislike it, the other is to read Pope.

Quotidian

Whether a pretty woman grants or withholds her favors, she always likes to be asked for them.

Ovid

Dear to the heart of a girl is her own beauty and charm.

Ovid

Judgement of beauty can err, what with the wine and the dark.

Ovid

Money can't buy me love

P. McCartney

Money is a terrible master but an excellent servant.

P. T. Barnum

Outnumbered and possessed of inferior capabilities, men are on the defensive.

P.J. O'Rourke Modern Manners

Taste is the enemy of creativeness.

Pablo Picasso

Good artists copy; great artists steal

Pablo Picasso

Work expands so as to fill the time available for its completion.

Parkinson's Law

Men never do evil so completely and cheerfully as when they do it from a religious conviction.

Pascal

I have discovered that all man's unhappiness derives from only one source - not being able to sit quietly in a room.

Pascal

Quotidian

When the passions become masters, they are vices.

Pascal

Few great men could pass personnel.

Paul Goodman

Doubt isn't the opposite of faith; it is an element of faith.

Paul Tillich

The only things that evolve by themselves in an organization are disorder, friction, and malperformance.

Peter Drucker

My greatest strength as a consultant is to be ignorant and ask a few questions.

Peter Drucker

There is no lighter burden, nor more agreeable, than a pen.

Petrarch

Wisdom is always an overmatch for strength.

Phaedrus

It is not necessary to understand things in order to argue about them.

Pierre de Beaumarchais

Glory ought to be the consequence, not the motive of our actions.

Pliny the Younger

As Prudence Mackintosh says, "I'm inclined to blame Chaucer"

Prudence Makintosh "Hoofhearted"

Quotidian

Plato

The true creator is necessity, who is the mother of our invention.

He was a wise man who invented God.

Honesty is for the most part less profitable than dishonesty.

Everything that deceives may be said to enchant.

When there is an income tax, the just will pay more and the unjust less.

Wealth and poverty: the one is the parent of luxury and indolence, and the other of meanness and viciousness, and both of discontent.

Truth is its own reward.

There are three classes of men - lovers of wisdom, lovers of honor, lovers of gain.

Nothing is there more friendly to a man than a friend in need.

Quotidian

When the candles are out all women are fair.
Plutarch

The trouble with law is lawyers.
Clarence Darrow

"Victory is short and sweet, but revenge can be
enjoyed for a lifetime."
Kramer Wetzel

The newer people, of this modern age, are more
eager to amass than to realize.
Rabindranath Tagore

I do most of my writing sitting down. That's
where I shine.
Robert Benchley

To persevere, trusting in what hopes he has, is
courage in a man. The coward despairs.
Euripides

A minute's success pays for the failure of
years.
Robert Browning

It's the wise man who stays home when he's
drunk.
Euripides

Genius borrows nobly.
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Sometimes a scream is better than a thesis.
Ralph Waldo Emerson

"Katie, a straight answer please. Is this
Hell? Or is this Texas?"
Robert A. Heinlein Job: A Comedy of Justice

Quotidian

Publilius Syrus

He can best avoid a snare who knows how to set one.

Intemperance is the physician's provider.

To dispute with a drunkered is to debate with an empty house.

An agreeable companion on a journey is as good as a carriage.

Friendship either finds or makes equals.

It is more tolerable to be refused than deceived.

When reason rules, money is a blessing.
It is a bad plan that admits of no modification.

Do not dispise the bottom rungs in the ascent to greatness.

It is no profit to have learned well, if you neglect to do well.

We tolerate without rebuke the vices with which we have grown familiar.

Quotidian

'Athanátoús mèn prota theoús, nómo os
diákeitai, Tíma. (First worship the immortal
gods as custom decrees)

Pythagoras

If your daily life seems poor, do not blame it;
blame yourself, tell yourself that you are not
poet enough to call forth its riches.

Rainer Maria Rilke

"Well, as I always say, 'God didn't create the
Universe in six days. He partied for five and
crammed the night before.'"

Raymond E. Feist

You can only listen to one voice in your head.
More than that and your medication needs
changing.

"I'd rather be in Tijuana
Eating Barbecued Ignaua,"

Wall of Voodoo
Marc Moreland & Stanard Ridgway
Mexican Radio 1982

"I may not agree with your Macintosh! But I'll
defend to the death your right to use it!"
Somehow that lacks conviction.

Raymond E. Feist
14-Dec-88

The tendency to claim God as an ally for our
partisan value and ends is the source of all
religious fanaticism.

Reinhold Niebuhr

"Take a note of that; his Lordship says he will
turn it over in what he is pleased to call his
mind."

Richard Bethell, Lord Westbury

Quotidian

Robert Frost

Hell is a half-filled auditorium.

A jury consists of twelve persons chosen to
decide who has the better lawyer.

There are few sorrows, however poignant, in
which a good income is of no avail.

"Poetry provides the one permissible way of
saying one thing and meaning another."

'Writing free verse is like playing tennis with
the net down.'

A poem begins in delight and ends in wisdom.

Man that is of woman born is apt to be as vain
as his mother.

Forgive, O Lord, my little jokes on Thee
And I'll forgive Thy great big one on me.

Quotidian

Every good piece of literature drops a stone
into the pool of our being, and the ripples
spread.

Robert Penn Warren

Out of the mouths of babes may come gems of
knowledge, but also garbage.

Robert Fulghum

Humor is an affirmation of dignity, a
declaration of man's superiority to all that
befalls him.

Romain Gary

"I write about my personal experiences whether
I've had them or not."

Ron Carlson

The young have aspirations that will never come
to pass, the old have reminiscences of what
never happened.

Saki

Personally, I believe a rocking hammock, a good
cigar and a tall gin and tonic is the way to
save the planet.

P.J. O'Rourke

Why should the Devil have all the good tunes?

Rowland Hill

I keep six honest serving men: They taught me
all I knew: Their names are What and Why and
When and How and Where and Who.

Rudyard Kipling

"Writing is not necessarily something to be
ashamed of —but do it in private and wash your
hands afterwards"

Robert A. Heinlein From *Lazarus Long*

Quotidian

Sam

Somewhere on this globe, every ten seconds,
there is a woman giving birth to a child. She
must be found and stopped.

Sam Levenson

Theist and atheist: The fight between them is
as to whether God shall be called God or shall
have some other name.

Samuel Butler

Words are like money; there is nothing so
useless, unless when in actual use.

Samuel Butler

To live is like to love—all reason is against
it, and all healthy instinct for it.

Samuel Butler

In matrimony, to hesitate is sometimes to be
saved.

Samuel Butler

Treating your adversary with respect is giving
him an advantage to which he is not entitled.

Samuel Johnson

Criticism is a study by which men grow
important and formidable at very small expense.

Samuel Johnson

The road to hell is paved with good intentions.

Samuel Johnson

Poetry is the art of uniting pleasure with
truth.

Samuel Johnson

Classical quotation is the parole of literary
men all over the world.

Quotidian

Samuel Johnson

A man ought to read just as inclination leads
him, for what he reads as a task will do him
little good.

Samuel Johnson

No place affords a more striking conviction of
the vanity of human hopes, than a public
library.

Samuel Johnson

A man may write at any time, if he will set
himself doggedly to it.

Samuel Johnson

Your manuscript is both good and original; but
the part that is good is not original, and the
part that is original is not good.

Samuel Johnson

Talk of the devil, and his horns appear.

Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Quotidian

Pioneers are always kicked in the teeth when
the thing they pioneered starts to pay off.
Look at Jesus.

Frank Dane

You can tell the ideals of a nation by its
advertisements.

Norman Douglas

"I may well be a flop at this line of endeavor.
Columbus too thought he was a flop, probably,
when they sent him back in chains. Which
didn't prove there was no America."

Saul Bellow The Adventures of Augie March

"What DO women want?"

Sigmeund Freud

It might be said of psychoanalysis that if you
give it your little finger it will soon have
your whole hand.

Sigmund Freud

An ambassador is an honest man sent abroad to
lie for his country.

Sir Henry Wotton

Little islands are all large prisons: one
cannot look at the sea without wishing for the
wings of a swallow.

Sir Richard Burton

Of all the vices drinking is the most
incompatible with greatness.

Sir Walter Scott

The best effect of any book is that it excites
the reader to self activity.

Thomas Carlyle

Bad excuses are worse than none.

Thomas Fuller, M.D.

Quotidian

Socrates

The hour of departure has arrived and we go our ways; I to die, and you to live. Which is better? Only God knows.

False words are not only evil in themselves, but they infect the soul with evil.

Life contains but two tragedies. One is not to get your heart's desire; the other is to get it.

The unexamined life is not worth living.

By all means marry. If you get a good wife you will become happy – and if you get a bad one you will become a philosopher.

Call no man unhappy until he is married.

I am a citizen, not of Athens or Greece, but of the world.

An education obtained with money is worse than no education at all.

The only good is knowledge and the only evil is ignorance.

Once made equal to man, woman becomes his superior.

What a lot of things there are a man can do without.

The right way to begin is to pay attention to the young, and make them just as good as possible.

Quotidian

You can create Art and Beauty on a computer.

Stephen Levy

"I was real depressed one day and decided to kill myself. So I jumped out of the fourth story window. I did a double backflip and landed on my feet. Nobody saw it except these two little kittens. One of them turned to the other and said, 'See, that's how it's done.'" Steven Wright, comedy routine

Is an art, like everything else.
I do it exceptionally well.

Sylvia Plath

But at my back in a cold blast I hear
The rattle of bones, and chuckle spread from
ear to ear.

T. S. Eliot The Waste Land

Twit twit twit
Jug jug jug jug jug jug
So rudely forc'd
Tereu

T. S. Elliot The Wasteland

Do I dare
disturb the universe?

T.S. Eliot The Waste Land

All great poetry gives the illusion of a view
of life.

T.S. Elliot

Death is one moment, and life is so many of
them.

Tennessee Williams

Do what you can, with what you have, where you
are.

Theodore Roosevelt

Quotidian

A man who has never gone to school may steal from a freight car, but if he has a university education he may steal the whole railroad.

Theodore Roosevelt

The man who reads nothing at all is better educated than the man who reads nothing but newspapers.

Thomas Jefferson

The most valuable of all talents is that of never using two words when one will do.

Thomas Jefferson

Advertisements contain the only truth to be relied on in a newspaper.

Thomas Jefferson

The gods play games with men as balls.

Titus Maccius Platus

Every exit is an entry somewhere else.

Tom Stoppard

Guildenstern: ...Maidens aspiring to godheads—
Rosenkrantz: and vice versa.

Tom Stoppard

Rosenkrantz and Guildenstern are Dead

Forty is the old age of youth; fifty the youth of old age.

Victor Hugo

Indigestion is charged by God with enforcing morality on the stomach.

Victor Hugo

If you aren't fired with enthusiasm, you will be fired with enthusiasm.

Vince Lombardi

Quotidian

In making a survey, even the freest and loosest, of modern fiction, it is difficult not to take for granted that the modern practice of the art is somehow an improvement upon the old.

Virginia Wolf Essay: Modern Fiction

To believe in God is impossible—to not believe in Him is absurd.

Voltaire

Divorce is probably of nearly the same date as marriage. I believe, however, that marriage is some weeks more ancient.

Voltaire

Things fall apart--

W. B. Yeats The Second Coming

A woman drove me to drink and I never had the courtesy to thank her.

W. C. Fields

"Hang around words listen to what they say."

W. H. Auden

Man is a god in ruins.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

It is well to remember that grammar is common speech formulated.

W. Somerset Maugham

The writer is more concerned to know than to judge.

W. Somerset Maugham

It is an illusion that youth is happy, an illusion of those who have lost it.

W. Somerset Maugham

X.

Start every day off with a smile and get it over with.

W.C. Fields

Quotidian

How is the human race going to survive now that
the cost of living has gone up two dollars a
quart?

W.C. Fields

A good cure for insomnia is plenty of sleep.

W.C. Fields

"Children should neither be seen nor heard from
— ever again."

W.C. Fields

"The South has produced so many good writers
because we lost the War."

Walker Percy

The only emperor is the emperor of ice-cream.

Wallace Stevens The Emperor of Ice-Cream

The reason why so few good books are written is
that so few people who can write know anything.

Walter Bagehot

"To burn always with this hard, gem like flame
To maintain this ecstasy, in success, in life."

Walter Pater Conclusion to the Renaissance

Thought: Why does man kill? He kills for food.
And not only food: frequently there must be a
beverage.

Woody Allen

I want to thank everyone who made this day
necessary.

Yogi Berra

Criticism comes easier than craftsmanship.

Zeuxis

"The road of excess leads to the palace of
wisdom."

William Blake

Quotidian

Will Rogers

I would rather be the man who bought the Brooklyn Bridge than the man who sold it.

Everybody is ignorant, only on different subjects.

Every Harvard class should have one Democrat to rescue it from oblivion.

There is only one thing that can kill the Movies, and that is education.

We can't all be heroes because someone has to sit on the curb and clap as they go by.

We are all here for a spell, get all the good laughs you can.

The minute you read something you can't understand, you can almost be sure it was drawn up by a lawyer.

The Income Tax has made more Liars out of the American people than golf has.

I never met a man I didn't like.

In a real estate man's eye, the most expensive part of the city is where he has a house to sell.

Quotidian

A difference of opinion is what makes horse racing and Missionaries.

Plans get you into things but you got to work your way out.

Politics has gotten so expensive that it takes a lot of money even to get beat with.

This country has come to feel the same when Congress is in session as when the baby holds a hammer.

The short memories of American voters is what keeps our politicians in office.

I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts.

I can remember way back when a liberal was generous with his own money.

I belong to no organized political party – I am a Democrat.

People want just taxes more than they want lower taxes. They want to know that every man is paying a proportionate share according to his wealth.

The nation is prosperous on the whole, but how much prosperity is there in a hole?

Quotidian

It's a good thing we don't get all the government we pay for.

Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there.

Rumor travels Faster , but it don't stay put as long as the Truth.

You can't say that civilization won't advance, for in every war they kill you in a new way.

The Lord so constituted everybody that no matter what color you are you require the same amount of nourishment.

Communism is like Prohibition, it's a good idea but it won't work.

"The people of Oklahoma will continue to vote dry and drink wet as long as they can stagger to the polls."

Quotidian

No young man believes he shall ever die.

William Hazlitt

A great many people think they are thinking
when they are merely rearranging their
prejudices.

William James

We have to live today by what truth we can get
today and be ready tomorrow to call it
falsehood.

William James

No one can earn a million dollars honestly.

William Jennings Bryan

Without tradition, art is a flock of sheep
without a shepard. Without innovation, it is a
corpse.

Winston Churchill

It has been said that democracy is the worst
form of government except all the others that
have been tried.

Winston Churchill

"Now this is not the end. It is not even the
beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the
end of the beginning."

Winston Churchill

speech at the Lord Mayor's Day Luncheon
London (November 10, 1942)

The greatest lesson in life is to know that
even fools are right sometimes.

Winston Churchill

There are a terrible lot of lies going about
the world, and the worst of it is that half of
them are true.

Winston Churchill

Quotidian

Personally I'm always ready to learn, although
I do not always like being taught.

Winston Churchill

Give us the tools, and we will finish the job.

Winston Churchill

I'm not afraid to die. I just don't want to be
there when it happens.

Woody Allen

"I don't want to be immortal through my works;
I want to be immortal through not dying."

Woody Allen

The wicked at heart probably know something.

Woody Allen

Whosoever shall not fall by the sword or by
famine, shall fall by pestilence so why bother
shaving?

Woody Allen

The lion and the calf shall lie down together
but the calf won't get much sleep.

Woody Allen

"Il faut noter, que les jeux d'enfants ne sont
pas jeux: et les faut juger en eux, comme leurs
plus sérieuses actions." (It should be noted
that children at play are not playing about;
their games should be seen as the most serious-
minded activity.)

— Montaigne

These terrible sociologists, who are the
astrologers and alchemists of our twentieth
century.

Miguel de Unamuno

Quotidian

Or bid the soul or Orpheus sing
Such notes as, warbled to the string,
Drew iron tears down Pluto's cheek.

Milton Il Penseroso line 105

O Rose thou art sick.
The invisible worm,
That flies in the night
In the howling storm:
Has found out thy bed
Of crimson joy:
And his dark secret love
Does life destroy.

William Blake The Sick Rose

"That felt better than sex and almost as good
as eating watermelon."

Chet Atkins

"He had the finest ear, perhaps, of any English
poet; he was also undoubtedly the stupidest;
there was little about melancholia he didn't
know; there was little else that he did."

W. H. Auden

"That corpse you planted last year in your
garden,
Has it begun to sprout? Will it bloom this
year?"

T.S. Eliot's "The Waste Land"

Yes, there's an advantage to growing old and
being male. It's payback for when girls
controlled everything when we were young.

"Bubba" Ben McConnell AOL chat 6/19/96

The military leader said to the Bishop, "How
are we going to know the devout people from the
heretics?" The Bishop said, "Kill them all and
let God sort them out"

Bishop of Narbonne
Albigensian Crusade. 1st decade of the 1200s

Quotidian

[Boswell] I suggested a doubt, that if I were to reside in London, the exquisite zest with which I relished it in occasional visits might go off, and I might grow tired of it JOHNSON
Why sir; when a man is tired of London, he is tired of life; for there is in London all that life can afford.

Johnson in Boswell's Life of Johnson vol. II

"I apologize for the length of this letter--if I had more time, it would be shorter."

Samuel Johnson

"I feel a hot wind on my shoulder
and the touch of a world that is older."

Wall of Voodoo/Mexican Radio

"I got up, made a cup of hot chocolate with marshmallows, and sipped it as I smoked a cigar in the semi-dark living room. People who've never had hot chocolate, marshmallows, and cigars together ought to give it a try."

Kinky Friedman The Love Song of J. Edgar Hoover

"Too much stuff, too much stuff
It'll mess you up, fooling with too much
stuff."

Delbert McClinton (Delbert McClinton/Gary
Nicholson) "One of the fourtunate few" album
1993, Nasty Cat Music

"Whenever you marry your mistress, you
automatically create a job opening."

Sir James Goldsmith

Shakespeare

It's a hard question...

which would you rescue, your mother-in-law
or the last text of Shakespeare?

Allen Ginsberg

Hiway Posey: L.A.-Albuquerque-Texas-Wichita

If music is the food of love, play on;

Duke in Shakespeare's Twelfth Night Or What You
Will
(I.i.1)

"Ay me," quoth Venus, "young, and so unkind?

What bare excuses mak'st thou to be gone!

I'll sigh celestial breath, whose gentle wind

Shall cool the heat of this descending sun."

Shakespeare's Venus and Adonis
lines 187-190

Though this be madness, yet there is method
in't.

Shakespeare's Hamlet
(II.ii.207)

"The moon's an arrant thief,

And her pale she snatches from the sun."

Shakespeare's Timons of Athens
(IV.iii.444)

Fight till the last gasp

Shakespeare's Henry VI, part 1
(I.ii.127)

Bait the hook well: this fish will bite.

Claudio in Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing
II.iii.109

Quotidian

A jest's prosperity lies in the ear
Of him that hears it, never in the tongue
Of him that makes it.

Rosaline in Shakespeare's Love's Labour's Lost
(V.ii.857-9)

Why, but there's many a man hath more hair than
wit.

Antipholus in Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors
(II.ii)

I wonder that thou, being, as thou sayest thou
art, born under Saturn, goest about to apply a
moral medicine to a mortifying mischief.

Don John in Shakespeare's in Much Ado About
Nothing
(I.iii.6-7)

My stars shine darkly over me; the malignancy
of my fate might, perhaps, distemper yours;
therefore I shall crave of you your leave that
I may bear my evils alone.

Sebastion in Shakespeare's 12th Night
(Act II, scene 1)

He uses his folly like a stalking-horse, and
under the presentation of that he shoots his
wit.

Duke Senior in Shakespeare's As You Like It
(Act 5, sc.4, 110)

O! vengeance, vengeance;
Me of my lawful pleasure she restrain'd
And pray'd me oft forbearance; did it with
A pudency so rosy the sweet view on't
Might well have warm'd old Saturn; that I
thought her

As chaste as unsunn'd snow. O! all the devils!

Posthumus in Shakespeare's Cymbeline
(II.v.8-13)

Quotidian

Saturn and Venus this year in conjunction what
says the almanac to that?

Harry (Prince Hal) in Shakespeare's King Henry
IV, part 2
(Act 2, Scene 4)

By heaven, I do love, and it hath taught me to
rime, and to be melancholy.

Berowne in Shakespeare's Love's Labors Lost
(IV.iii.11-13)

Spirits, which by mine art
I have from their confines call'd to enact
My present fancies.

Propero in Shakespeare's The Tempest
(IV.i.119-21)

How viley doth this cynic rhyme!

Cassius in Shakespeare's Julius Caesar
(IV.iii.132)

He thinks too much: such men are dangerous.

Caesar in Shakespeare's Julius Caesar
(I.ii.192)

"As from a bear a man would run for life,
So fly I from her that would be my wife."

Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors
(III.ii.153-4)

This body hath a tail more perilous than the
head.

Shakespeare's Cyberline
(IV.ii.144-5)

What a damned Epicurean rascal is this?

Ford in Shakespeare's The Merry Wives of
Windsor
(II.ii.276)

Quotidian

As Hector, I assure you; and in the managing of quarrels you may say that he is wise, for either he avoids with great discretion or undertakes them with a most Christian-like fear.

Don Pedro in Shakespeare's Much Ado about Nothing
(II.iii.183-6)

This is excellent foppery of the world, that when we are sick in fortune—often the surfeits of our own behavior—we make guilty of our disasters the sun, moon, and stars, as if we were the villains on necessity, fools by heavenly compulsion, knaves, thieves, and treachers by spherical predominance, drunkards, liars, and adulterers by an enforced obedience of planetary influence, and all we are evil in, by divine thrusting on.

Edmund in Shakespeare's King Lear
(I.ii.121-9)

O! Here
Will I set up my everlasting rest,
And shake the yoke of inauspicious stars
From this world-wearied flesh.

Romeo Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet
(V.iii.109-11)

Is there no military policy how virgins might
blow up men?

Helena in Shakespeare's All's Well That Ends Well (I.i.123-4)

Well said; that was laid on with a trowel.

Celia on Shakespeare's As You Like It
(I.ii.101)

There's many a man hath more hair than wit.

Shakespeare's Comedy of Errors
(II.ii.81-82)

Quotidian

You men will never tarry.

Cressida in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(IV.ii.23)

"Lechery lechery! Still wars and lechery.
Nothing else holds fashion."

Thersites in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(V.iii.231-3)

"Brother you have a vice of mercy which better
fits a lion than a man."

Troilus Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
V.iii.43-4

All the world's a stage
And the men and women merely players.

Jaque in Shakespeare's As You Like It
(II.vii.138-9)

Let her alone, lady. As she is now, she will
but disease our better mirth.

Volumnia in Shakespeare's Coriolanus
(I.iii.103-4)

Stand not amazed. Here is no remedy.
In love the heavens themselves do guide the
state.

Money buys lands, and wives are sold by fate.

Ford in Shakespeare's The Merry Wives of
Windsor
(V.v.223-5)

Marry sir, they have committed false report;
moreover, they have spoken untruths;
secondarily, they are slanders; sixth and
lastly, they have belied a lady; thirdly, they
have verified unjust things; and, to conclude,
they are lying knaves.

Dogberry in Shakespeare's Much Ado About
Nothing
(V.i.211-15)

Quotidian

But fish not with melancholy bait
For this fool gudgeon, this opinion.

Gratiano in Shakespeare's The Merchant of Venice
(I.i.101-2)

It is a good divine that follows his own
instructions: I can easier teach twenty what
were good to be done, than be one of the twenty
to follow mine own teaching.

Portia in Shakespeare's The Merchant of Venice
Act I, Scene II

The evil that men do lives after them;
The good is oft interred with their bones.
Antony in Shakespeare's Julius Caesar (III.ii.
76-7)

Take no offence that I would not offend you;
To punish me for what you make me do
Seems unequal.

Messenger in Shakespeare's Antony and Cleopatra
(II.v.99-101)

Why, Hal, 'tis my vocation, Hal. 'Tis no sin /
for a man to labor in his vocation.

Falstaff in Shakespeare's First part of King Henry IV
Act 1, Scene ii, lines 102-103

I am not only witty
in myself, but the cause of wit in other men.

Falstaff in Shakespeare's 2nd Part of King Henry IV
(I.ii.9-10)

Hymen from heaven...

Shakespeare As You Like It
(V.iv.111)

It out-herods Herod.

Shakespeare Hamlet
(Act iii, Scene 2)

Quotidian

Beware of the Ides of March!

Shakespeare Julius Caesar
(I,ii)

'Tis certain, greatness, once I fall out with
fortune,
Must fall out with men too.

Achilles in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(III.iii.75-6)

The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars,
But in ourselves, that we are underlings.

Casius in Shakespeare's Julius Caesar
(I.ii.134-5)

O for a Muse of fire, that would ascend
The brightest heaven of invention!

Chorus in Shakespeare's King Henry V
prologue 1-2

I fear, I fear 'twill prove a giddy world.

Citizen 2 in Shakespeare's Richard III
(II.ii,5)

Now, Mars, I prithee make us quick in work,
That smoking sword may march from hence
To help our fielded friends.

Coriolanus in Shakespeare's The Tragedy of
Coriolanus
(I.iv.10-3)

Ah, poor our sex! this fault in us I find,
The error of our eye directs our mind.

Cressida in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(V.ii.109-110)

Women are angels, wooing:
Things won are done, joy's soul lies in the
doing.

Cressida in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(I.ii.286-7)

Quotidian

The first thing we do, let's kill all the lawyers.

Dick [the butcher] in Shakespeare's The Second Part of Henry the Sixth
(IV.ii.76)

Why, there it is. Come sing me a bawdy song, make me merry. I was as virtuously given as a gentleman need be, virtuous enough: swore little, dic'd not above seven times—a week, went to a bawdy-house not above once in quarter—of an hour, paid money that I borrow'd—three or four times, liv'd well and in good compass; and now I live out of all order, out of all compass.

Falstaff in Shakespeare's Henry IV, Part 1
(III.iii.13-20)

The better part of valor is discretion, in the which better part I have sav'd my life.

Falstaff in Shakespeare's King Henry IV, Part 1
(V.iv.119-21)

Rare words! Brave world! Hostess, my breakfast come!

O, I could wish this tavern were my drum!

Falstaff in Shakespeare's Henry IV, Part 1
III.iii.205-6

O, I do not like that paying back. 'Tis a double labor.

Falstaff in Shakespeare's Henry IV, Part 1
(III.iii.179)

Why, this it is, when men are rul'd by women;

Gloucester in Shakespeare's Richard III
(Act 1, scene 1, 62)

Quotidian

Cannot a plain man live and think no harm,
Gloucester in Shakespeare's Richard III
(Act I.iii, 51)

Men's evil manners live in brass; their virtues
We write in water.
Griffith in Shakespeare's Henry VIII
(IV.ii.46-6)

Frailty, thy name is woman!
Hamlet in Shakespeare's Hamlet
(I.ii.146)

'Tis mad idolatry
To make the service greater than the god,
Hector in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(II.ii.56-7)

Love looks not with the eyes but with the mind;
And therefore is wing'd Cupid painted blind.
Helena in Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's
Dream
(I.i.234-235)

We'll thwack him hence with distaffs.
Hermione in Shakespeare's Winter's Tale
(I.ii.37)

And I can teach thee, coz, to shame the devil
By telling the truth; tell the truth and shame
the devil.
Hotspur in Shakespeare's Henry IV, Part 1
(III.i.557-8)

Doomsday is near, die all, die merrily.
Hotspur in Shakespeare's Henry IV, Part 1
(IV.i.134)

Take note, take note, O World! To be direct and
honest is not safe.
Iago in Shakespeare's Othello the Moor of
Venice
(III, iii, 378)

Quotidian

Cowards die many times before their deaths,
The valiant never taste of death but once.

Julius Caesar in Shakespeare's Julius Caesar
(II.ii.32-3)

"If but as [well] I other accents borrow,
That can my speech diffuse, my good intent
May carry through itself to that full issue
For which I raz'd my likeness."

Kent in Shakespeare's King Lear
(I.iv.1-4)

Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once
more,

Or close up the walls with our English dead!
In peace there nothing so becomes a man
As modest stillness and humility.
But when the blast of war blows in our ears,
Then imitate the action of the tiger:
Stiffen the sinews, summon up the blood,
Disfigure fair nature with hard-favored rage;
Then lend the eye a terrible aspect.

Harry in Shakespeare's The Life of King Henry V
(III.i.1-9)

Pray you undo this button

Lear in Shakespeare's King Lear
(V.iii.310)

'Tis safer to be that which we destroy
Than by destruction dwell in doubtful joy.

Lady Macbeth in Shakespeare's Macbeth
(III.ii.6-7)

To bed, to bed! There's knocking at the
gate!

Lady Macbeth in Shakespeare's Macbeth
(V.i.65-6)

Quotidian

Out, damned spot! Out I say!

Lady Macbeth in Shakespeare's Macbeth
(V.i.34)

The apparel oft proclaims the man.

Laertes in Shakespeare's Hamlet
(I.iii.72)

Too hot, too hot!

To mingle friendship far is mingling bloods.

Leontes in Shakespeare's Winter's Tale
(I.ii.108-9)

The course of true love never did run smooth;/
But either it was different in blood-

Lysander in Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's
Dream
(I.i.134-5)

Blow, wind! Come, wrack!

At least we will die with harnesses on our
back!

Macbeth in Shakespeare's Macbeth
(V.v.51-2)

Tomorrow, and tomorrow, and tomorrow
Creeps in this petty pace from day to day
To the last syllable of recorded time,
And all our yesterdays have lighted fools
The way to dusty death. Out, out brief candle!
Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player
That struts and frets his hour upon the stage
And then is heard no more. It is a tale
Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury,
Signifying nothing.

Macbeth in Shakespeare's Macbeth
(V.v.17-28)

Quotidian

Boundless intemperance
In nature is a tyranny;

Macduff in Shakespeare's Macbeth
(IV.iii.68-9)

In my
stars I am above thee, but be not afraid of
greatness.
Some are [born] great, some [achieve] greatness
and
some have greatness thrust upon 'em.

Malvolio in Shakespeare's Twelfth Night
(II.v.143-6)

Something is rotten in the state of Denmark.

Marcellus in Shakespeare's Hamlet
(I.iv.89)

Your tale, sir, would cure deafness.

Miranda in Shakespeare's The Tempest
(I.ii.106)

What is thy sentence but speechless death,
That robs my tongue from breathing native
breath?

Mowbray in Shakespeare's Tragedy of King
Richard II
(I.iii.172-3)

Is this the generation of love-hot blood, hot
thoughts, and hot deeds? Why these are vipers.

Is
love a generation of vipers?

Pandarus in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(III.i.131-33)

And Cupid grant all tongue-tied maidens here
Bed, chamber, Pandar to provide this gear!

Pandarus in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(III.ii.208-9)

Quotidian

The office

Becomes a woman best;

Paulina in Shakespeare's Winter's Tale
(II.ii.31-2)

Then thou art damn'd for keeping thy word with
the devil.

Poins in Shakespeare's First Part of King Henry
IV
(I.ii.118-9)

Neither a borrower nor a lender [be],
For a [loan] oft loses both itself and friend,
And borrowing dulleth [th'] edge of husbandry.

Polonius in Shakespeare's Hamlet
(I.iii.75-7)

This above all: to thine own self be true,/And
it must follow, as the night the day.

Polonius in Shakespeare's Hamlet
(I.iii.78-9)

"brevity is the soul of wit"

Polonius in Shakespeare's Hamlet
(II.ii.90)

He will give the Devil his due.

Prince in Shakespeare's First part of King
Henry IV
(Act 1, Scene ii, line 117)

We are such stuff

As dreams are made on, and our little life is
rounded with a sleep.

Prospero in Shakespeare's The Tempest
(IV.i.156)

Quotidian

If we shadows have offended
Think but this, and all is mended,
That you have but slumb' red here
While these visions did appear.

Puck in Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream
(V.i.423-26)

Small Joy I have in being England's Queen.

Queen Elizabeth in Shakespeare's Richard III
(I.iii, 109)

Now is the winter of our discontent
Made glorious by this sun of York;
And all the clouds low'r'd on our house
In the deep bosom of the ocean buried.

Richard in Shakespeare's Richard III
Act 1, scene 1, 1-4

Love goes towards love as schoolboys from their
books,
But love from love, toward school with heavy
looks.

Romeo in Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet
(II.ii.157-8)

O mischief thou art swift
To enter the thoughts of desperate men!

Romeo in Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet
(V.i.35-6)

"The which if your patient ears attend,
What here shall miss, our toil shall strive to
mend."

Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet
Prologue, lines 13-14

Quotidian

Look he's winding up the watch of his wit
by and by it will strike.

Sebastian in Shakespeare's The Tempest
(II.i.14-5)

Nimble thought can jump both sea and land
Shakespeare Sonnet 44

This cold night will turn us all to fools and
madmen.

The Fool in Shakespeare's King Lear
(III.iv.78-9)

What, lost in the labyrinth of thy fury?
Thersites in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(II.iii.1-2)

Misery acquaints a man
with strange bedfellows.
Trinculo in Shakespeare's The Tempest
(II.ii.39-40)

O theft most base,
That we have stol'n what we fear to keep!
Troilus in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(II.ii.92-3)

Words, words, mere words, no matter from the
heart,
Th' effect doth operate another way.
Troilus in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(V.iii.108-9)

Quotidian

But when the planets
In evil mixture to disorder wander,
What plagues, and what portents, what mutiny,
What raging of the sea, shaking of earth,
Commotion in the winds, frights, changes,
horrors,
Divert and crack, rend and deracinate
The unity and married calm of states
Quite from their fixure!

Ulysses in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(I.iii.94-101)

Time hath, my lord, a wallet at his back,
Wherein he puts alms for oblivion,
A great-siz'd monster of ingrattitudes.

Ulysses in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
III.iii.145-7

Take but degree away, untune that string,
And hark what discord follows.

Ulysses in Shakespeare's Troilus and Cressida
(I.iii.109-10)

Quotidian

Seneca

Our plans miscarry because they have no aim.
When a man does not know what harbor he is
making for, no wind is the right wind.

The artist finds a greater pleasure in painting
than in having completed the picture.

He who has reaped the profits has committed the
crime.

Successful and fortunate crime is called
virtue.

Drunkenness doesn't create vices, but it brings
them to the fore.

The mind unlearns with difficulty what it has
long learned.

Many a man has found the acquisition of wealth
only a change, not an end of miseries.

We never reflect on how pleasant it is to ask
for nothing.

My joy in learning is partly that it enables me
to teach.

There is no genius free from some tincture of
madness.

It better befits a man to laugh at life than to
lament over it.

The gradually declining years are among the
sweetest in a man's life.

Quotidian

Aesop

It is easy to be brave from a safe distance.

Men often bear little grievances with less courage than they do large misfortunes.

The smaller the mind the greater the conceit.

We often give our enemies the means for our own destruction.

Fine clothes may disguise, but foolish words will disclose a fool.

Better starve free than be a fat slave.

He that is discontented in one place will seldom be happy in another.

If you allow men to use you for your own purposes, they will use you for theirs.

Please all, and you will please none.

We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office.

Vices are their own punishment.

Yield to all and you will soon have nothing to yield.

Ambrose Bierce

The Devil's Dictionary

Hypocrisy--prejudice with a halo.

Calamities are of two kinds: misfortune to ourselves, and good fortune to others.

Corporation: An ingenious device for obtaining individual profit without individual responsibility.

Destiny, n. A tyrant's authority for crime and a fool's excuse for failure.

Happiness : An agreeable sensation, arising from contemplating the misery of others.

Philosophy: A route of many roads leading from nowhere to nothing.

Admiration, n. Our polite recognition of another's resemblance to ourselves.

Marriage, n. The state or condition of a community consisting of a master, a mistress, and two slaves, making in all two.

Cynic, n. A Blackgaurd whose faulty vision sees things as they are, not as they ought to be.

Here's to woman! Would that we could fall into her arms without falling into her hands.

In each human heart are a tiger, a pig, an ass, and a nightingale. Diversity of character is due to their unequal activity.

What is worth doing is worth the trouble of asking somebody to do it.

Quotidian

Responsibility, n. A detachable burden easily shifted to the shoulders of God, Fate, Fortune, Luck or one's neighbor. In the days of astrology it was customary to unload it upon a star.

The covers of this book are too far apart.

Quotidian

Quotidian VI

All men should strive to learn before they die
what they are running from, and to, and why.

James Thurber

Last night I dreamed of a small consolation
enjoyed only by the blind: Nobody knows the
trouble I've not seen!

James Thurber

"The Devil bowed his head because he knew that
he'd been beat, and he laid golden fiddle on
the ground at Johnny's feet"

Charlie Daniels - Devil went down to Georgia

Women's intuition is a male sexist demeaning
fraudulent counter-revolutionary concept
invented to put a name on something men can't
ever understand because of their stunted and
wholly unromantic natures.

George Alec Effinger

Maureen Birnbaum and the Saint Graal

I lived in solitude in the country and noticed
how the monotony of a quiet life stimulates the
creative mind.

Einstein

"When women hold off from marrying men, we call
it independence. When men hold off from
marrying women, we call it fear of commitment"

Warren Farrell (American Psychologist)

A useless life is early death.

Goethe

Quotidian

The world is so full of simpletons and madmen,
that one need not seek them in a madhouse.

Goethe

How vain it is to sit down and write when you
have not stood up to live!

Henry David Thoreau

"History is a pack of lies everyone's agreed
to."

Henry Ford

Life is a series of experiences, each one of
which makes us bigger, even though sometimes it
is hard to realize this.

Henry Ford

I suggest that the only books that influence us
are those for which we are ready, and which
have gone a little farther down our particular
path than we have yet gone ourselves.

E.M. Forster

When women go wrong, men go right after them.

Mae West

There is more to life than increasing its speed
Mahatma Gandhi

Clapping with the right hand only will not
produce a noise.

Malay Proverb

It is not true that life is one damn thing
after another – it's one damn thing over and
over.

Edna St. Vincent Millay

Quotidian

Computers are useless. They can only give you answers.

Pablo Picasso

In America there are two classes of travel – first class and with children.

Robert Benchley

The female of the species is more deadly than the male.

Rudyard Kipling

"Dear Lord, give me chastity and self restraint... but not yet, O Lord, not yet."

Saint Augustine

Women and elephants never forget an injury.

Saki

Conscience: The inner voice that warns us that someone may be looking.

H.L. Mencken

The world only exists in your eyes – your conception of it. You can make it as big or as small as you want to.

F. Scott Fitzgerald

I've seen a game iv cards start among frinds, but I niver see frinds in a game iv cards.

Finley Peter Dunne

Art is a lie that makes us realize the truth.

Pablo Picasso

W

Art, like morality, consists in drawing the line somewhere.

G.K. Chesterson

Hollywood is a place where they place you under contract instead of under observation.

Walter Winchell

Quotidian

Comedy is the last refuge of the nonconformist
mind.

Gilbert Seldes

When ideas fail, words come in very handy.

Goethe

"When you call me that, smile."

Owen Wister The Virginian

You know that you are over the hill
When your mind makes a promise
That your body can't fill.

Little Feat (P. Barrere) Old Folks' Boogie

It is in literature that the concrete outlook
of humanity receives its expression.

Alfred North Whitehead

"If a child shows himself to be incorrigible,
he should be decently and quietly beheaded at
the age of 12, lest he grow to maturity, marry,
and perpetuate his kind."

Don Marquis

"Who is this God fellow anyway?"

Douglas Adams Hitch Hiker's Guide to the
Galaxy.

If I were two-faced would I be wearing this
one?

Abraham Lincoln

Ducking for apples—change one letter and it's
the story of my life.

Dorothy Parker

Thank you for your support

"Bartles & Jaymes, 1986" ad

ASTROFISH.NET

