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Johnson told Boswell once in the course of a conversation, in which he praised the "Anatomy," that a man, if inclined to melancholy, should have a lamp constantly burning in his bed-chamber during the night "and if wakefully disturbed take a book and read and compose himself to rest." There can be little doubt that in thus indicating an appropriate course for any one afflicted with "constitutional melancholy" — his own trouble — he was stating his own practice. Many a book the wakeful doctor must have turned over in the silences of the night, and this increases the wonder that a desire to read any particular work should take him out of bed unusually early.

Gray must surely have been a reader in bed. A man who wished to be forever lying on sofas, reading "eternal new novels of Crebillon and Mari-vaux," must have been familiar with the faces of his favorites in the night hours. Elijah Fenton, a now forgotten coadjutor of Pope, was accustomed to lie abed at his lodgings, we are told, and be fed with a spoon, but Gray's love of ease was not of this type. Gray was a bookman, and most bookmer reading in bed. Lamb apostrophized his folios as "my midnight darlings," but those "huge armfuls," as he calls them, were not bedside books. They were the companions of the long hours of candlelight in the back room of the quiet little "gambogish colored" house beside the Chase at Enfield. Wycherley, one of the "artificial" dramatists for whom Lamb wrote a quaint defense, made a habit of reading himself to sleep. Nightly he shared his pillow with his favorite authors—Seneca, Montaigne and Rochefoucauld—and in the mornings made a practice of writing on those subjects which had caught his attention during the previous night's reading, with the curious though not unnatural result, as Pope

has testified, that his writing was un-consciously a mere echo of his reading. Somewhat later, when Grub street flourished, if so inappropriate a verb may be allowed, many a poor wretch of a hack author was glad to write as well as to read in bed for the all sufficient reason that seemly clothes were lacking for going abroad.—London

EPIGRAMS OF NOVELISTS.

One crawls into friendship, one occasionally drifts into matrimony, but in

love one falls.-Frankfort Moore. There is no place like the top, especially when it is narrow and will not hold many at a time.—Anthony Hope. Love and friendship are stronger than charity and politeness, and those who trade upon the latter are rarely accorded the former.—Seton Merriman. It is the American's regret that at present he can do nothing with his feet while he is listening at the telephone, ubtless some employment will be found for them in the coming age.-Ian

There are two unpardonable sins in this world, success and failure. Those who succeed can't forgive a fellow for being a failure and those who fail can't forgive him for being a success. G. H. Lorimer.

There are two classes of people in the world, the people who are clever and the people who are keen, and you must never mix the two. They meet and touch, they are necessary to each other. but they never never blend.

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"Oh, neither! The herald says I can

hoose any of these. I want something that will look well on whist counters." "Yes. Well, what about this?"
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Canals In England.

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Wherein Everybody Played. There is no such spirit in the school today as in old times. They have a football eleven, it is true, and it holds its head well up among its mates; a litthe old school's the old school yet, I tell 'em—but, after all, it isn't the old game nor the old spirit. I go out sometimes to watch them and think, "Well, it's a queer game they play now and call football!" They trot out in such onishing toggery—padded and guarded from shin to crown, welted, belted, strapped and buckled beyond recogni-tion. And there's no independence in the play; every move has to be told 'em. It's as if they weren't big enough to run alone, and so they hire a big stepmother of a university "coach," who stands round in a red sweater and yells and berates them. Not a man answers back; he doesn't dare to. They

don't dare eat plain Christian food, but have a "training table" and diet like invalids. I've seen 'em at a game not dare take a plain drink of water. When they got thirsty they sucked at a wet sponge, like babes at the bottle! It was not so in our day. No apron strings of a university coach were tied to us. We were free born men. When

we wanted to play we got together and went down to the old pasture, to the big oak tree that stood near the middle of it, and there we would "choose up" and take off our coats and vests and neckgear and pile them round the oak and walk out on the field and go at it— everybody—not a pitiful dozen or so, while the rest stood with their hands in their pockets and looked on, but everybody! And it was football; no playing half an hour without seeing the ball in the air once. We kicked it all the time except when we missed it, and then we kicked the other fellow's shins. And when we got thirsty we went down to the spring and took an lonest drink out of an honest tin cup.-

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George Casey died at an Ottawa Hospital on St. Andrew's night, and with his passing goes as generous and mirthful a soul as ever drew

lie entered Parliament in 1872, and lie entered Parliament in 1872, and even among the intellectual giants who might be found in the House in those days the young sprig of twenty-two years, just bresh from University honors, won a large measure of distinction. He was a brilliant linguist, and could address the House in both the authorized languages, a in both the authorized languages, a faculty as rare then among the Dag-lich-speaking members of the House a: it is now. Casey had a veritable glit of tongues, and one of his favorite recreations was to keep on adding to his polyglot equipment. It is almost safe to say that Casey was the only men at Ottawa who habit hally drew from the Parliamentary library books in Franch. library books in English, French, Spanish, Italian, and German. He had picked up somewhere a working inowledge of the Cree tongue and had a scholarly acquaintance with many of the Indian dialects. Wherever he met on his trayels a new language or for that matter a patient guage, or for that matter a patois guage, or for that matter a patois, it was his custom to stick to it until he had acquired an adequate vocabulary and a fair comprehension of its syniactical peculiarities. He shared with Nicholas Flood Davin the habit of seasoning his speeches with Latin and Greek quotations, and he could have his Hornes like a gentlement of ise his Horace like a gentleman of the Elizabethan period. But this was only when he was on parade, and that not from a vanity of learning. but from sheer inability to keep down the ebullient riches of his down the ebullient riches of mind. Casey was not a pedant, conceived that a subject which worthy of being publicly debated was

worthy of the most glittering treat-ment that his memory and fancy sould give it. In private he never obtruded his superior attainments. Although a man of family, of fine old Irish doscent, and of almost seignor-ial standing in his county, he was a staunch democrat and a practical believer in liberty, equality and fra-ternity. And just as the Celtic poet-ty of his nature, enhanced by the assimilated literature of many peoples may have embarrassed his judgment so that lively fraternity of his operated to keep his life from frilling as grandly as it hould have done. He had, also, the faults of his qualities, and the very characteristics that made him levable kept him from being great. When men less brilliant but more practical pressed forward with single aim to the lonely moun-tain tops of supremacy, Casey fell-quietly back where the company was more cheerful and the talk more en-tertaining. And being of the name of Casey, he had too keen a sense of humor ever to be a leader. Garfield, who was a great wag, having once formed the ambition to become Pre-sident of the United States, deliherately forbore from that time on to make anything like a joke. All the bon mots that are now ascribed to Lincoln gained currency after his death. Casey was a delightful racon-

teur. It was such a passion with him that he could not give it up. Reading maketh a full man. It de-velops every side of his nature, and if there goes with it a lively desire or human communion which prevents man 'rom being a mere book-worm, e sure that this earth harbors a personality that will make it bright cr. It is the pleasure of men like Casey to radiate their charm in snug little smoking-room circles and to make comradeship a blessing. When the fortunes of politics turned against the whilom member for West Elgin, his friends got together and said: "What can we do for this good."

"What can we do for this good soul?" There were two things open, either of which Casey was eminently fitted to fill—the archives or a post in the library. The archives were not in the Legislative building. The library was, and so Casey got the place in the library, where he would be near his companions of the olden time. Whatever may be said about politicians, they like to keep the sunbeams near them. They re-fused to make a postmaster of that other bright spot and hold him at a distance of two hundred miles. No. They put Dr. Landerkin in the Sen-ate, where he would-never be more than a hundred yards from No. 16, and they just kept him there until he faded sweetly away into the Valley

faded sweetly away into the Valley of the Shadow.
And now Casey is dead, too-Casey the story-teller, Casey the good fellow!—Toronto Star.

A Pleaser Fressman Dead. Thomas Fox Davies, who died in Thomas Fox Davies, who died is Barrie, recently, was the pressman of the Toronty Globe's first cylinder press. Having learned his traue in Manchester, Eng., and spent a few years in the United States, he came to Toronto in 1845. Feter Brown has just bought his first cylinder Hoe press, but no one knew much about it and he persuaded Mr. Davies to prolong his stay in the city and Hoe press, but no one knew much about it and he persuaded Mr. Davies to prolong his stay in the city and set up the new machine. This he did and became permanently employed in The Globe office, remaining until 1847, when he went north and established The Barrie Magnet. After the first cylinder press had been set up in The Globe office, the maker, Mr. Hoe came from New York to see it in operation. While here Mr. Davies suggested to him the possibility of making a web press, the called printing machines of his (Mr. Davies') native district of Manchester, Eng., having furnished the analogy. Mr. Hoe "pocketed" the idea, worked it into practical shape, and the next time he visited The Globe office he handed Mr. Davies a ten dollar bill for the suggestion. For the past 40 years Mr. Davies was connected with The Barrie Examiner.

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