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Old friends are the great blessings of one's later years. Half a word conveys one's meaning. They have a memory of the same events, have the same mode of thinking. I have young relations that may grow upon me, for my nature is affectionate, but can they grow [To Be] old friends?

- Walpole, Horace

I avoid talking before the youth of the age as I would dancing before them: for if one's tongue don't move in the steps of the day, and thinks to please by its old graces, it is only an object of ridicule.

- Walpole, Horace

Oh that I were seated as high as my ambition, I'd place my naked foot on the necks of monarchs.

- Walpole, Horace

Life is a comedy for those who think... and a tragedy for those who feel.

- Walpole, Horace

It was said of old Sarah, Duchess of Marlborough, that she never puts dots over her I s, to save ink.

- Walpole, Horace

The next Augustan age will dawn on the other side of the Atlantic. There will, perhaps, be a Thucydides at Boston, a Xenophon at New York, and, in time, a Virgil at Mexico, and a Newton at Peru. At last, some curious traveler from Lima will visit England and give a description of the ruins of St Paul s, like the editions of Balbec and Palmyra.

- Walpole, Horace

Alexander at the head of the world never tasted the true pleasure that boys of his own age have enjoyed at the head of a school.

- Walpole, Horace

The wisest prophets make sure of the event first.

- Walpole, Horace

This world is a comedy to those that think, a tragedy to those that feel.

- Walpole, Horace

Every drop of ink in my pen ran cold.

- Walpole, Horace

Nine-tenths of the people were created so you would want to be with the other tenth.

- Walpole, Horace

Men are sent into the world with bills of credit, and seldom draw to their full extent.

- Walpole, Horace

The world is a tragedy to those who feel, but a comedy to those who think.

- Walpole, Horace



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