

Epicurean Painting: "Hide and Seek in the Garden of Epicurus, Leontium and Ternissa" - William Stott of Oldham (1857-1900)

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Two more excellent finds, Charles. I thought the dialogue was new to me, but I found that the first portion was familiar. I don't know where I might have encountered it.

Having now read the whole of it, I found it a trifle frivolous; but there are passages in it of a higher calibre.

Quote

By indifference to all who are indifferent to us; by taking joyfully the benefit that comes spontaneously; by wishing no more intensely for what is a hair's-breadth beyond our reach than for a draught of water from the Ganges; and by fearing nothing in another life.

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There is no easy path leading out of life, and few are the easy ones that lie within it. I would adorn and smoothen the declivity, and make my residence as commodious as its situation and dimensions may allow; but principally I would cast under-foot the empty fear of death.