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In a great romance, each person plays a part the other really likes.

- Ashley, Elizabeth

While we look to the dramatist to give romance to realism, we ask of the actor to give realism to romance.

- Wilde, Oscar

Romance like a ghost escapes touching; it is always where you are not, not where you are. The interview or conversation was prose at the time, but it is poetry in the memory.

- Curtis, George William

Romance has been elegantly defined as the offspring of fiction and love.

- Disraeli, Isaac

Romance, like the rabbit at the dog track, is the elusive, fake, and never attained reward which, for the benefit and amusement of our masters, keeps us running and thinking in safe circles.

- Jones, Beverly

He must have a truly romantic nature, for he weeps when there is nothing at all to weep

about.

- Wilde, Oscar

In real love you want the other person's good. In romantic love, you want the other person.

- Anderson, Margaret

Is this not the true romantic feeling; not to desire to escape life, but to prevent life from escaping you.

- Wolfe, Thomas

Personally, I can't see why it would be any less romantic to find a husband in a nice four-color catalogue than in the average downtown bar at happy hour.

- Ehrenreich, Barbara

We travelers are in very hard circumstances. If we say nothing but what has been said before us, we are dull and have observed nothing. If we tell anything new, we are laughed at as fabulous and romantic.

- Montagu, Lady Mary Wortley

If you describe things as better than they are, you are considered to be a romantic; if you describe things as worse than they are, you will be called a realist; and if you describe things exactly as they are, you will be thought of as a satirist.

- Crisp, Quentin

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