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If it were not for the government, we should have nothing to laugh at in France.

- Chamfort, Sebastien-Roch Nicolas De

If my theory of relativity is proven successful, Germany will claim me as a German and France will declare that I am a citizen of the world. Should my theory prove untrue, France will say that I am a German and Germany will declare that I am a Jew.

- Einstein, Albert

Other countries drink to get drunk, and this is accepted by everyone; in France, drunkenness is a consequence, never an intention. A drink is felt as the spinning out of a pleasure, not as the necessary cause of an effect which is sought: wine is not only a philter, it is also the leisurely act of drinking.

- Barthes, Roland

The book is closed, the year is done, The pages full of tasks begun. A little joy, a little care, Along with dreams, are written there. This new day brings another year, Renewing hope, dispelling fear. And we may find before the end, A deep content, another friend.

- Ward, Arch

No winter lasts forever; no spring skips it's turn.

- Borland, Hal

In the depth of winter I finally learned that within me there lay an invincible summer.

- Camus, Albert

France has neither winter nor summer nor morals. Apart from these drawbacks it is a fine country.

- Twain, Mark

My hopes are not always realized, but I always hope.

- Ovid

Of all the forces that make for a better world, none is so indispensable, none so powerful, as hope. Without hope men are only half alive. With hope they dream and think and work.

- Sawyer, Charles

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