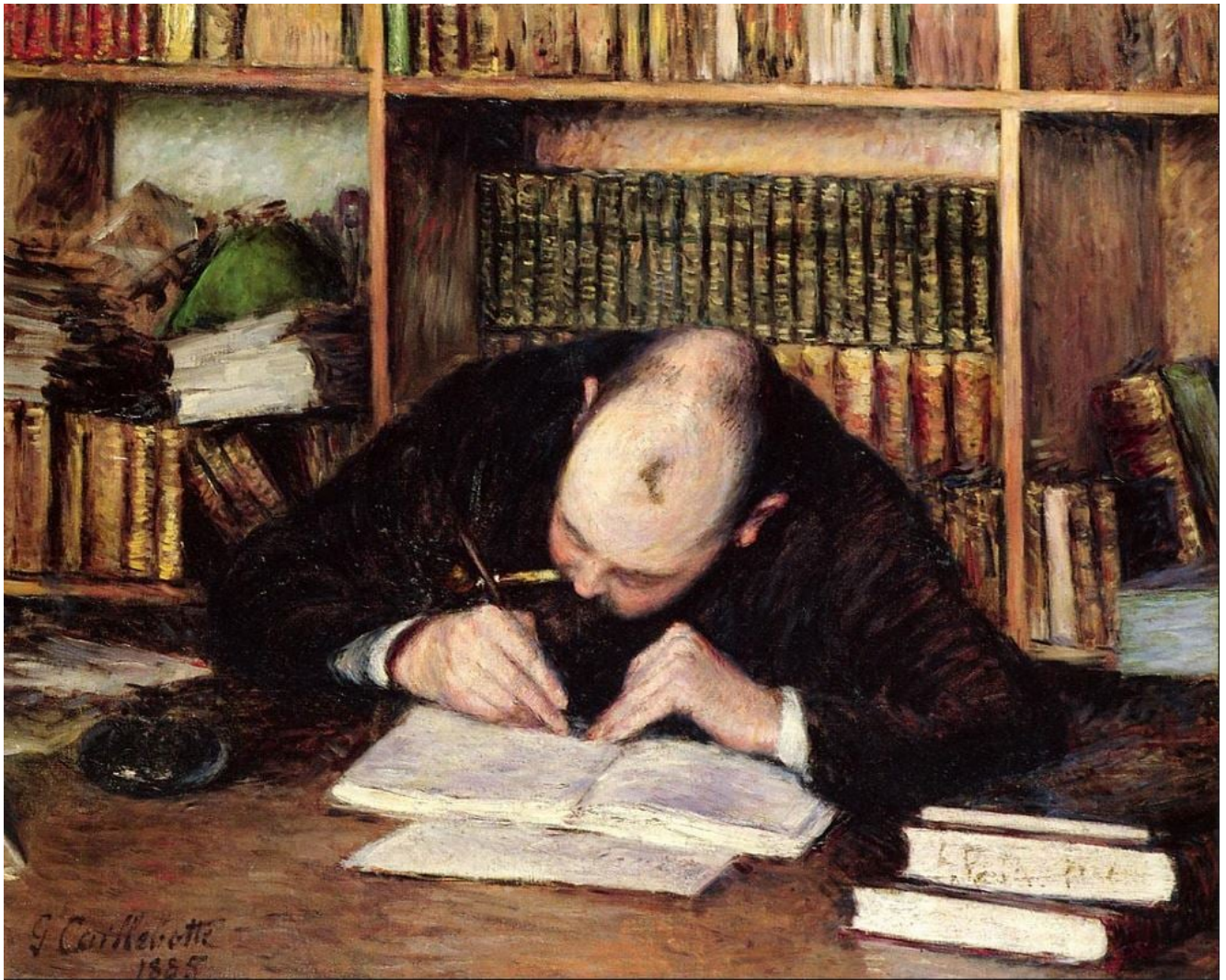


Marginalia



Portrait of a Man Writing in his Study, Gustave Caillebotte, 1885

Henry David Thoreau, *"Civil Disobedience"*

"As for adopting the ways which the State has provided for remedying the evil, I know not of such ways. They take too much time, and a man's life will be gone. I have other affairs to attend to. I came into this world, not chiefly to make this a good place to live in, but to live in it[.]"

What makes you, my overbearing friend,
So damn special? *Everyone* must spend
Half a lifetime (...and reviewing the
Matter, one can only rue the thing)

Doing not the Thing, but doing the
Thing one needs to do to do the Thing.

Albert Jay Nock, *Memoirs of a Superfluous Man*

“‘Things and actions are what they are,’ Bishop Butler said,
‘and the consequences of them will be what they will be.’”

“What’s ‘erotica’?” *It’s porn.*

“What’s a Destiny?” *Its aim:*

To adorn

A mere Plight.

“Okay. Can you name

Vision’s purpose?” *To embellish Sight.*

Sir Roger Scruton, *Sexual Desire: A Moral Philosophy of the
Erotic*

Sexual desire

Isn’t the desire

For sex, but rather,

Says Sir Roger,

The desire for a

Specific person.

But if a person is

Amenable to sex,

One desires them,

Specifically.

Honor is hard to come

By in such matters.