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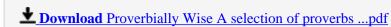
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In "Lexicon Tetraglotton" (1660), James Howell wrote: "Proverbs may not improperly be called the philosophy of the common people, or, according to Aristotle, the truest relics of old philosophy."

In one of his "Sermons preached upon several occasions" written in about 1716, Robert South (1634-1716), an English clergyman, wrote: ".....has it not been noted by the best observers, and the ablest judges, both of things and persons, that the wisdom of any people or nation has been most seen in the proverbs and short sayings commonly received amongst them? And what is a proverb, but the experience and observation of several ages, gathered and summed up into one expression?"

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