

Beau Tibbs

Explain, with reference to the context the following passage:

"However both for interests.... every eye"

These lines are taken from the essay "Beau Tibbs" which is written by one of the great English writers, Oliver Goldsmith. Through these lines the writer wants to express that the Man in Black comments on an extra-ordinary character, Beau Tibbs. Tibbs dressed in a peculiar fashion. One day he would be dressed poorly in torn clothes but the next day he would be dressed in fine clothes. His conduct was no less peculiar than his dress. He claimed to be intimately acquainted with many distinguished persons. But actually he was not in the least acquainted with them, he would have indulged in many vices.

It was perhaps good for him that he was poor, otherwise, he would have been extra-vagant. So it was good that God had made him poor. A person of his character would have been dangerous if he had been rich.

There was another peculiarity about him. Though he was poor, he thought that his poverty was hidden from all. He pretended to be a highly connected person, who mixed with distinguished persons.

Dr. Uma Shankar San
Department of English
U.R. College, Roseera
Mobile No - 9031107859 (WhatsApp)
Email id - usvidyarthi86@gmail.com