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ἐρωτηθεὶς τί ποτ᾽ αὐτῷ περιγέγονεν ἐκ φιλοσοφίας, ἔφη, τὸ ἀνεπιτάκτως ποιεῖν ἅ τινες διὰ τὸν ἀπὸ τῶν νόμων φόβον ποιοῦσιν.

When asked what advantage he [Aristotle] had ever gained from philosophy, he replied: that I do without being ordered what some are constrained to do by their fear of the law.

Diogenes Laertius, *Lives of the Philosophers* V.1.20.

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Abbreviations

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APo.	*Posterior Analytics*
APr.	*Prior Analytics*
Cael.	*De Caelo (On the Heavens)*
Cat.	*Categories*
DA	*De Anima*
EE	*Eudemian Ethics*
GA	*Generation of Animals*
GC	*On Generation and Corruption*
HH	*History of Animals*
MA	*Movement of Animals*
MM	*Magna Moralia*
Met.	*Metaphysics*
NE	*Nicomachean Ethics*
PA	*Progression of Animals*
Ph.	*Physics*
Pol.	*Politics*
Rh.	*Rhetoric*
SE	*Sophistical Refutations*
Top.	*Topics*

Plato

Grg.	*Gorgias*
Philb.	*Philebus*
Prt.	*Protagoras*
Rep.	*Republic*
Smp.	*Symposium*
States.	*Statesman*

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