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*Within the vault of a musée
In Albi, out of the way
There gathered in that rocky stoma
Six and fifty for glaucoma.
All were experts in the field
Seeking to make glaucoma yield
Its subtle quiet facts
To find how pressure acts
Upon the optic nerve.
All learned many things
Some left with clipped wings
When they plied their wares
They were met with silent stares
Others shed a knowing light
Upon a subject full of fright
But there is no easy way
To make glaucoma pay
For its high pressure.*

Paul Henkind

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