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### Poetry.

Modern Young Lady of Fashion.

She lounges all day in the parlor,

And likes to be daintily fed,

While mamma is down in the kitchen,

And papa is toiling for bread.

She wears the most exquisite raiment

That ever was purchased or sold,

Displaying the costliest laces,

And gleaming with jewels of gold.

Her parents slave hard to maintain her,

In elegant indolence—well,

They wear themselves out for their "darling,"

Because she's the family belle.

She plays the piano "divinely,"

And screeches from morning till night,

With toes peeping out of her stockings,

And hair in disorderly plight.

Except when there's "company" coming,

She sits herself up for a beauty,

And charms the "coarse" creatures—the

men.

A slattern at home, she's a creature

Quite often not fit to be seen,

Atroad, like a butterfly, gaudy,

Assuming the airs of a queen.

Averse to sweet womanly duty,

No labor her fingers shall soil,

She sets herself up for a beauty,

And scorns all the children of toil.

Quite useless, forever cooing,

The service of others to do,

Her vanity paltry and selfish—

With gratitude not in her creed.

In silks she hears her gracefully rustle—

And scolds from morning till night,

And her hair from the tail of a horse.

Her limbs are indebted to sawdust—

Slim slanks "neath the same may be

found—

Her bust is crammed full of cotton,

To make it look heaving and round,

## ANNA DICKINSON.

Her Singular Opinions of Marriage— Her Views of Churches and Preaching, And Defense of Theological Perfor-

New York Special to Chicago Tribune.

Clackering Hall was filled to overflowing

by the audience which greeted Anna

E. Dickinson tonight on the occasion of

her re-entrance upon the lecture platform.

She was received with enthusiasm, and

loudly applauded at short intervals.

She began by saying it was not true she had

left the platform, she had simply "shut

her mouth" because she had nothing to

say. She thought this a capital rule. In

regard to speaking or marrying, "if you

can help it, don't." [Laughter.] If a maid-

en were so much in love that she must

marry, very well that might possibly give

happiness. Anything less would surely

bring misery. So with speaking, it should

only be resorted to when one had some-

thing to say that ought to be spoken. Miss

Dickinson went on to denounce the spirit

"which would brand a scold as a woman

of the highest order, and visit upon her

the stigma of the most disgraceful name in

the language." While no other enter-

tainment had such a grip upon the

popular heart as the theater, none was spoken

and written of with so little fairness. The

fact that it had outlived all the veneration

showed upon it, was proof of its great-

ness. It was, in the speaker's opinion, the

most potent influence in the civilized

world. Few cared to listen to the most

eloquent speech a third time, but thou-

sands laughed and cried over a play five

times, then did not tire of it. Comparatively

few read books, and fewer still un-

derstood what they read. Even the news-

papers were not read by a myriad, and

were slightly read by another myriad.

What was said in the theater to the eye

and ear every night, must, therefore, be

more potent than either. The pulpit had

not the same influence over the lives of

men as the theater, and she ventured to

say the influence of the latter was far the

most beneficial of the two. She did not

refer to religion in this connection, but

believed that religion reaches its aim as

distinctly and penetratingly from the stage

as from the pulpit. She described the ex-

clusiveness of the churches in terms which

evoked both applause and, once, hisses.

They are looked upon, she said, as so

single in their views, and so sincere in

their faith, that they are heretofore

sealed for six days in the week, in

## Wit and Humor.

A horse, unlike a man, is always pre-

pared to meet an out.

In swimming down the river, Paul Boy-

ton should be attended by directors who

will see that he makes no runs on the

banks.

Trees begin to die at their tops—men

begin to die there, too.

A western editor, in response to a sub-

scriber who complains that his paper is in-

tolerably damp, says "it is because there is

so much dew on it."

According to the Chicago Journal, Sit-

ting Bull is surprised that the South should

be so afraid of the army.

A dollar in your hand is worth two in

another man's pocket.

"Can a clergyman marry himself?" asks

an ex-lance. We suppose he can, but we

are afraid he would not be a happy couple.

An Ohio man had his neck broken while

trying to break a colt. The safest way to

break a colt is to hire one of your credit-

ors to do it.

A dentist with a toothache is a spectacle

as rare as it is gratifying. It comes, per-

haps, but once in a life-time, but it brings

with it a fragrance that remains for years.

The reason why a Chicago man couldn't

be convicted of highway robbery was be-

cause he proved that he was in the Michi-

gan State prison at the time. Nothing like

knowing where you are.

It is the easiest thing in the world for a

man to commit suicide in Texas. He only

needs to call "mother man a liar—Old City

Derick."

Francis Grace (whispering): "What

lovely boots your partner's got, Mary?"

Mary (ditto): "Yes, unfortunately he

shines at the wrong end."

A young man who has tried everything

else and failed, writes to the Yickburg

Herald to inquire the requisites for a good

reporter, and gets for an answer: "A hot

dog, a whisky, a lead pencil, a cast-iron

constitution and a thousand lies."

Florida Call: A young man of French

parentage got a marriage license at the

court house a few days since, and remark-

ed as he turned to go: "By George, this

is the most handsome court-house in the

country. You give marriage license in this

country, and then you slip right into

Shoemaker's room and get married, and

don't you know, you get right up stairs

in the zinc vat and get a divorce."

I think 'twas in September, if I rightly

now remember, that I heard a knocking,

knocking at my door, yes, I know 'twas

in September, for quite well I remember,

had been there about fifty times before; he

had been there knocking at my door. But

I opened not, nor wondered, as upon my

door he rumbled, for he yelled, "Say,

now, will you settle this 'ere bill I bring

you, as he battered on the door; and I

calmly answered, "Nevermore."

Woman at the Polls.

Letter from a Lady in Wyoming Territory

S. V. Observer.

Your letter of the 25th ult., asking my

opinion of the practical results of Woman

Suffrage in Wyoming, is received. I could

have wished you had selected some other

source of information.

I come from Wyoming, some three years

ago, from Missouri, and brought with me

both from nature and education, fully the

usual amount of conservatism, and I re-

garded with peculiar suspicion the idea of

woman entering the political arena. My

observations have materially modified my

views upon this subject. I will not tread

upon your time by any elaborate his-

tory of woman suffrage in Wyoming, but

will give you a brief summary of facts and

results as they have come under my own

observation.

The women of Wyoming, and particularly

the better class, as highly prize and as

generally exercise the right of suffrage

as do the men. Woman, from her very

dependence, and comparative weakness

and helplessness, feels more strongly than

man does, her need of the protection of

good laws faithfully executed, and in her

own interest and that of those she loves,

she naturally puts her vote where it will

do the most good for the accomplishment

of this end.

The elections here are conducted as quietly

and decorously as any other public

gathering, and I have finally concluded

that if the sexes are associated together

with impunity in the home, the school, the

church, the social gathering, and in every

relation of life from the cradle to the grave,

woman need not be seriously demoralized

by her momentary association with her

husband, father, lover, and brother, once a

year at the polls.

It is true, woman very generally vote as

do their husbands. I know several in-

stances, however, where the wife votes

one way and the husband the other, but I

have never known or heard of any gener-

ally unappreciated in their family re-

lations. The pioneers of the West, what-

ever their faults, are not so intolerant as to

abuse their wives even of a difference in

opinion in politics or even in religion. The

fact that husbands and wives usually vote

alike seems to me no objection. It is only

placing an additional power and influence

in the Government of the country where it

is most needed and will naturally be most