

MY SWEETHEART.

Blessing she is: God made her so
And deeds of week-day holiness
Fall from her noiseless as the snow,
Nor hath she ever chanced to know
That aught were easier than to bless.

She is most fair, and thereunto
Her life doth rightly harmonize;
Feeling or thought that was not true
Ne'er made beautiful the blue
Unclouded heaven of her eyes.

She is a woman: one in whom
The Springtime of her childish years
Hath never lost its fresh perfume,
Though knowing well that life hath room
For many blights and many tears.

I love her with a love as still
As a broad river's peaceful might,
Which, by high tower and lowly mill,
Goes wandering at its own sweet will,
And yet doth ever flow aright.

ABOUT WOMAN.

HERE ARE SOME SAGE OBSERVATIONS
CONCERNING HER—FOR CENTURIES,
ALL MINDS, BIG AND LITTLE, HAVE
TALKED OF HER, TO HER AND AT HER,
AND SHE OCCUPIES MAN'S THOUGHTS
TO-DAY—FOR HER WELL FIGHT,
BLEED AND DIE, AND NEVER ASK
MORE THAN A SMILE TO RECOMPENSE
US.

The funny man and the cynical writer
can always find something witty and
sharp to say about women collectively;
in other words, he always shoots forth his
sallies at long range. Here are a few of
their generalization: Bidu, one of the
reputed sages, said: "Whether women
be handsome or not does not signify. If
they are ugly they turn one's stomach; if
they are lovely they turn one's head."
Montague said he would not be a woman,
for then he could not love her. And
Lady Montague remarked that the only
objection she had to be a man was that
she would then have to marry a woman.

A modern wit defines the difference be-
tween men and women: A man gives forty
cents for a twenty five cent thing he
wants, and a woman gives twenty-five
cents for a forty cent thing she does not
want.

On the subject of courtship and mar-
riage we can report some interesting say-
ings. A German writer says a young
girl is a fishing rod, the eyes being the
hook, the smile the bait, the lover the
gudgeon, the marriage the butter in
which he is fried. There are really two
eventful periods in a woman's life: one
when she wonders who she will have or
who will have her. A cynical sailor has
given his reason why a ship is called
"she." It is because the ships are use-
less without employment, they bring
news from abroad, they wear caps and
bonnets, they are often painted, and a
man never knows the expense until he
gets one. During the war Artemus Ward
observed: "None but the brave deserve
the fair, and none but the brave can live
with some of them." Here is a purely
ironical description of the sex: "A wo-
man is a mighty handy thing to have
about the house. She doesn't cost any
more to keep than you'll give her, and
she'll take a great interest in you. If
you go out at night, she'll be awake when
you get home, and then she'll tell you
all about yourself, and, more, too."

As to wives some vile traducer says a
month before marriage and a month after
death, men regard their wives as angels.
Douglas Jerrold observed: "My no-
tion of a wife at forty is that a man
should be able to change her like a bank
note, for two twenties." A gentleman
once rode up to a public house in the
country and asked: "Who is the master
of this house?" "I am sir," replied the
landlord; "my wife has been dead about
three weeks."

There is nothing so calculated to call
up the deep earnestness of a true woman
and enlist her most faithful devotion, as
the doing up of her back hair. There
was once upon a time a Connecticut man
who believed in self-improvement, and
who suggested to his wife that they should
argue some question frankly and freely
every evening, and try to learn more of
each other. The question for the night
happened to be whether a woman could
be expected to get along without a spring
hat, and he took the affirmative; but they
say that when he was last seen he had
climbed up into the hayloft, and was
pulling the ladder up after him.

A gentleman conversing with a Brook-
lyn lady about the absurdity of female
apparel and the frivolity of fashionable life,
exclaimed: "Is there on earth a bigger
fool than a mere woman of fashion?"
Her questioner considered himself shut
up and put down, like a disagreeable
book, when the lady answered: "Yes,
the man who admires her."
"Women," quoth Smith, "are the salad
of life,

At once a boon and a blessing."
"In one way they are salad, indeed," re-
plied Brown,
"They take so much time in their
dressing."

It is said that the full dress of a native
lady in Colombo is a hairpin and two
garters, and in the West Indies that
ladies wear corsets from instinct—a nat-
ural love of being squeezed.

Much ridicule has been heaped upon
woman because they can't keep a secret.
A gentleman sat down to write a deed;
and began with "Know all women by
these presents." "You are wrong" said
a by-stander; "it ought to be Know all
men." "Very well," answered the other.
"if all women know it all men will of
course."

Said Lord A—to a friend, who
wished to convey a matter of importance
to a lady without directly communicating
with her: "How can you be certain of
her reading the letter, seeing that you
have directed it to her husband?" "That
I have managed without a possibility of
a failure," was the answer. "She'll open
it to a certainty, for I have put 'private'
in the corner."

However they say that the portrait of
a real woman that kept a secret is in the
British Museum. It is said not to re-
semble any woman now living.

As to the want of certain peculiarities
in women, we furnish these illustrations:
A teacher asked a boy who was the
meekest man? "Moses, sir," was the
answer. "Very well, my boy; and now
who was the meekest woman?" "Please
sir, there never was any meekest woman."
—Brooklyn Eagle.

FIGS AND THISTLES.

The thankful man is always rich.
A mother's love is the same kind of
love as God's love.
The devil loves to sit down and look
at people who worry.

No man is good who behaves himself
simply because he has to.

The truth we hear amounts to nothing
unless we resolve to live it.

Unless a man lives as high as he shouts
the less noise he makes the better.

Hell is a cool place for the sinner in
comparison with what heaven would be.

The devil's way of binding people is
to give them plenty of rope to begin
with.

How straight we would all walk if we
knew how many eyes were watching us.

One of the poorest men to be found
anywhere is the rich man who never
gives.

The sin that damns is always the one
of the present moment. It is not what
we have done, but what we are doing
now that God looks at.

DON'TS FOR MEN BY A WOMAN.

Don't wear a felt hat on a humid sum-
mer's day.

Don't save all your polite attentions
for other men's wives.

Don't be jealous without sufficient
cause; it belittles you.

Don't begin every remark with "by
jove." It is as bad as "lovely."

Don't neglect to judge your own short-
comings as severely as those of others.

Don't be such a crank that every one
in the house is glad when you are out of
it.

Don't make life a burden to the family
if your shirt does not fit or your trousers
are too short.

Don't anticipate being angels in the
next world until you give up the worship
of "graven images" in this.

Don't cross your legs so that a woman
in passing you must brush the dirt from
your shoes with her dainty.

Don't allow a woman to stand and
finally offer her a seat, as if you hated to;
give it up with a good grace or else keep
it.

Don't scold because the children dis-
turb your enjoyment of the evening pa-
per; they have been bothering somebody
all day.

Don't misunderstand women when
they occasionally wish they were men;
you objected to taxation without repre-
sentation yourself.

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