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"Years ago we read this line somewhere and have never forgotten it; and better know the meaning of it now than we did then. "Tis a wonder to us that any sensible man should marry a woman whose waist looks as if some of Nature's apprentices built it; and, making a blunder, put all the ribs on bottom upward. We could never see much beauty in the blackwasp style of waist; but then we do not make our taste a standard for others. Some women dress as if they never dreamed that; they possessed a pair of lungs, which needed room for expansion, and that a full and a free circulation of the pure air of heaven through them, was essential to pure blood and good health. We laugh at the Chiness for pinching the feet of their females, and thus making them genteel cripples, while we, who claim to be their superiors in knowledge and progress, pinch the vital parts of our children and youth, and thus raise up a generation of crooked-spined, dyspeptic, and, in many instances, half idiotis invalids, whose iniquities shall be visited upon the fourth and fifth generations, mentally as well as physically. We do not consider that crippled leet are so likely to become hereditary as crippled longs. Hence our folly and winkedeness is greater than theirs. "Tis astonishing that sensible women should become so deluded by this monstrous fashion, so duped by it, as to commit suicide by inches? Stays are again in fashion, and fashionable misses "will all fall to pieces without them!" Well, then, let them 'burst up," we want no such sham material for the mothers of coming generations. Their loss would be a great gain in a physiological point of view. If we have any women in the country made "upon honor" women in the country made "upon honor" women in the country made "upon honor" women of heaven as they need—give us such women for h Bolunteer. American

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