

are no singers worth listening to, and I wouldn't to the end of the drive for the best supper Delmonico will ever cook. A man seems to think that any human creature *would* do anything for something good to eat. He—Most human creature *will*. She—I *shall* stay at home, and you *shall* have your opera and your supper all to yourself. He—Well, if you *will* stay at home, you *shall*; and if you *won't* have the supper, you *shan't*. But my trip will be dull without you. I *shall* be bored to death, that is, unless your friend Mrs. Dashatt Mann *should* go to town to-morrow, as she said she thought that she *would*; then, perhaps, we shall meet at the opera, and she and her nieces *will* sup with me. She (to herself) My dear friend Mrs. Dashatt Mann! And so that woman *will* be at her old tricks with my husband again. But she *shall* find that I am mistress of this situation, in spite of her big black eyes and her big white shoulders. (To him). John, why *should* you waste yourself upon those ugly, giggling girls? To be sure, *she's* a fine woman enough; that is, if you *will* buy your beauty by the pound, but they! He—O, think what I *will* about that, I must take them, for politeness' sake; and, indeed; although the lady is a matron, it wouldn't be quite proper to take her alone—*would it?* what *should* you say?

She—Well, not exactly, perhaps. But it don't much matter; she can take care of herself, I should think. She's no chicken; she'll never see thirty-five again. But it's too bad you *should* be bored with her niece—and since you're bent on having me go with you—and—after all, I *should* like to hear Ronconi—and—you shan't be going about with those cackling girls—well, John, dear, I'll go.

The author of this further says: Association and early habit cause many people, who are far from well-educated and who are entirely unconscious as to their speech, to be unerring in their use of this idiom, which in my judgment, is one of the finest in the language.

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