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***The Unhappy Marriage, Or, A Warning to
Covetous Parents (1680)***

Being a True Relation of the Dismal Effects of Forced Wedlock. A new play song.

See Parents when that you your Children force
Against their Will, to turn Love from it's Course;
The Stream will soon return with greater Rage,
And soon you'l see the folly of your Age;
And grieve to thinl what Rashly you have done,
When Ruine is by that means hurry'd on.

To the pleasant New Tune of, *Jenny she was a Wanton Lass*; or, Martelius.

Jenny she was a Wanton Girl,
and kept her Fathers Sheep,
Yet Jockey though a homely Churl,
would fain with Jenny Sleep;
Geud faith he came to Court a good,

but Jenny would not say,
And do poor Jockey what he cou'd,
still Jenny cry'd O Nay.

He felt her with his hard rough hand,
and often strove to Smouch her,
But Jenny made him off to stand,
and would not let him touch her:
For Jenny at defiance stood,
though Jockey mush did say,
And do poor Jockey what he cou'd,
still Jenny cry'd O Nay.

He many times alous did sigh,
and Chesnuts did present her,
And in his Plad and Bonnet blith,
strove all for to content her:
But that the Lass in her mad mood,
would not Loves power obey,
And do poor Jockey what he cou'd,
still Jenny cry'd O Nay.

He gave her often Curds and Cream,
and Cheese from off the shelf,
And did as often lead her heme,
to proffer her himself:
And sighing often Jockey wou'd
have Lead to Kirk the way,
And do poor Jockey what he cou'd,
still Jenny cry'd O Nay.

In vain you sue Sweet Jenny cry'd,
what e're you di is vain,
Another must lye by my side,
'tis so O'se tell you plain:
Ise tell you plain I'se lov'h a good;
but 'tis not you Ise say,
And do poor Jockey what he cou'd,
yet Lenny did say nay.

Then Jockey to her Father went,
to see what he cou'd do,
And told him plainly what he meant,
how his poor heart did rue:
Cuase Jenny was unkind he said
he o're the world would Stray,

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*For do alas what e're he cou'd,
yet Ienny she said nay.*

He offer'd House and Land and all,
with many Geud Geuds more,
So Jenny to his Lot might fall,
she never should be poor:
With this temptation here he sped,
and Ienny must obey,
*And though at Kirk they woon were Wed,
yet Jennys heart said nay.*

On Jockey she'd no fancy set,
though he did buss and Clip her,
She still did with they ne'r had met,
though he fall brave did keep her;
No Love for Jockey e're she had,
her thoughts else where obey,
*Is spight of all poor Jockey cou'd,
fair Jenny went astray.*

For why a Lusty Lad she lov'd,
Tall Sawny he by Name,
Fair Jenny often after prov'd,
unto her Fathers shame:
Who cursing the unlucky Mood,
that made him first give way,
Poor Jenny 'gainst her will to Wed,
and make ger go astray.

Did pine himself full soon to death.
and Jockey griev'd likewise,
A Hempen Noose puts o're his head,
and like a Woodcock dies;
Then Parents in no cruel Mood,
force Children to obey,
In Loves great cause it is not good,
to force when they say nay.