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G. BUSY.

Perhaps you would rather have a maid. Truly they are ticklish things, and I don't much care to meddle or make with 'em. But I do know of a farmer's daughter, that will fit you to a hair. Her father is a sufficient man, and will stock a farm for you. 'Tis true, indeed, she has had one child; for I am a woman of integrity, and would not deceive any body in these matters for the world. They did not marry her soon enough. But she'll make an excellent stirring wife, I'll warrant her.

JONATHAN.

A maid that has had a child, is worse than a widow that's past it. I don't like any body that you have propos'd half so well as yourself.

G. BUSY.

Now out upon you, for an idle pack. Why thou naughty, wanton, young knave, what would'st thou do with me? heaven help me, I am old, and fit for nothing.

JONATHAN.

Let me ask you a few questions, and you'll find you are fit for every thing.

G. BUSY.

Well, come on then.

AIR LI. (Canst thou not weave Bonelace.

Jon. *Thou canst do housewife's work!*

G. Busy. *Yea, by'r lady, that I can.*

Jon. *Whip and stitch with a jerk?*

G. Busy. *Yea, as well as any one.*