

Walt Whitman

THE  
POEMS  
OF  
WILLIAM SHAKSPEARE

Philadelphia:  
JOHN LOCKEN, 311 MARKET STREET.  
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1847.



H. Corbould.

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*What numbers, once in Fortunes lap high fed,  
Solicit the cold hand of Charity!  
To shock us more, solicit it in vain!*

Shakespeare, William. *The poems of William Shakespeare*. Philadelphia: John Locken, 1847. Folger PR2841 1847a Copy 1 Sh.Col.

This copy of an 1847 American edition of Shakespeare's poems was owned by poet Walt Whitman -- note the signature at the top of the title page. Strangely, the facing frontispiece of the edition does not illustrate a poem of Shakespeare's, but rather an eighteenth-century work by poet Edward Young known as "The Complaint: Or, Night-Thoughts on Life, Death & Immortality." Reasons for its presence in this volume are currently unknown.

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