

Never love unlesse you can

The Third and Fourth Booke of Ayres (1617)

Thomas Campion (1567 - 1620)

Never love un - lesse you can Beare with all the faults of man: Men sometimes will leal - ous bee,

Though but lit - tle cause they see, And hang the head as dis - content, And speake what straight they will re - pent.

2. Men that but one Saint adore,
Make a shew of love to more:
Beauty must be scorn'd in none,
Though but truely serv'd in one:
For what is courtship but disguise?
True hearts may have dissembling eyes.

3. Men when their affaires require,
Must a while themselves retire;
Sometimes hunt, and sometimes hawke,
And not ever sit and talke.
If these and such like you can beare,
Then like, and love, and never feare.