

## TOWARD PUBLIC DISGRACE IN A STREET-CAR

Considering the incessant importunity of  
the impetus is it not astounding  
this catastrophe of manners does not occur less  
infrequently in view — O my fellow-passengers —  
of the innumerable provocative impacts —  
ah, the knees, the elbows! —  
Is it not magnificent that the superlative sartorial  
deftness  
of tailors persuades buttons to adhere?  
Else would it not be a most common thing,  
my friends — a sight of the streets: the men  
unshielded and heedless.