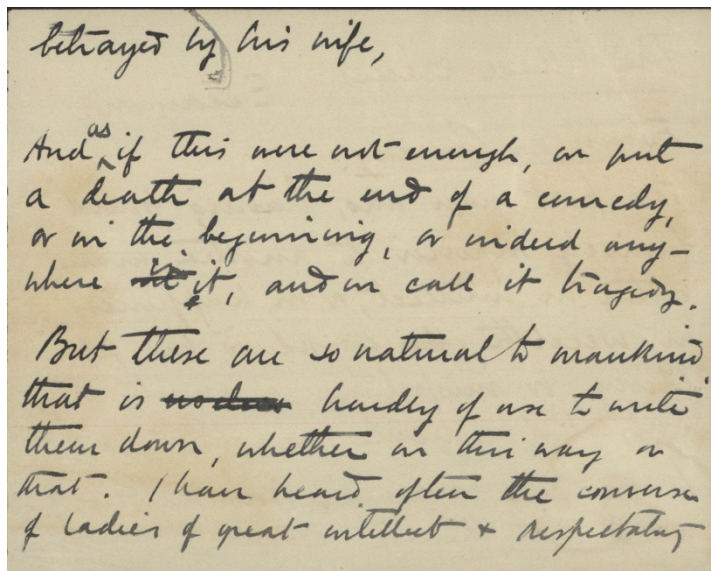


The Village Circus.

Essay on:

Essay on Comedy:

The first man who, having found himself superior to another man, either in intellect, or in happiness, or in wealth, he considered his fellow's idiocy, or misfortune, or poverty the subject of ridicule, was the real founder of comedy. Nowadays we go to the theatre to see a husband



betrayed by his wife, {...}

And as if this were not enough, we put a death at the end of a comedy, or in the beginning, or indeed anywhere ~~at~~ in it, and we call it tragedy. But these are so natural to mankind, that is ~~us~~ ~~does~~ hardly of use to write them down, whether in this way or that. I have heard often the converse of ladies of great intellect and respectability {...}

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