

Brothels for Gentlemen: Nineteenth-Century American Brothel Guides, Gentility, and Moral Reform



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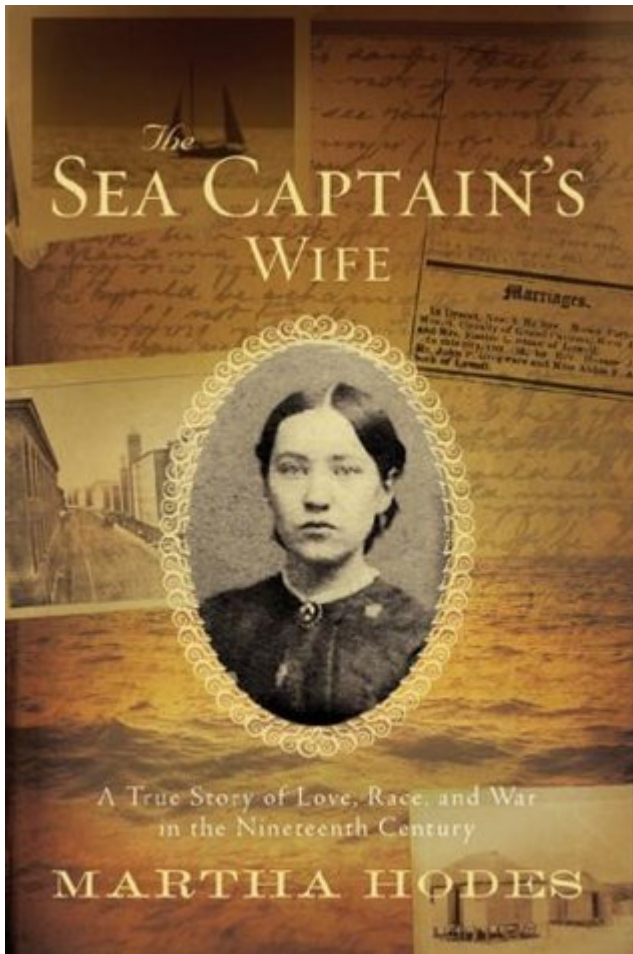
Brothel guides' positive descriptions of well-behaved, mannered, self-conscious brothelgoers suggested that if such genteel, respectable men allowed themselves to enjoy the sexual pleasures for sale in American cities, then why couldn't the reader himself?

Early America's Guide to Sex: Aristotle's Masterpiece



It is not hard to imagine the allure of such a work for readers—modest or otherwise—for it provided a rare detailed discussion of sex.

Searching for Love and Security across the Color Line



Once again abandoned by her husband and afflicted with uncertainty and poverty, Eunie began to direct her own life...

[The Manly Sport of American Politics: Or, How We Came to Call Elections “Races”](#)



“[N]o matter how progressive, or how much it seemed to reflect a vibrant spirit of competition, of Darwinian triumph and bootstrap optimism, boxing still suffered from an image problem.”

Faith in the Ballot



Presented as part of the special Politics Issue

Early northern black church voting may be the missing link in our understanding of black political consciousness and civic mindedness.

The Politics of Martial Manhood



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There were far more Democrats in the 1850s who still supported the antiquated honor code that justified dueling than there were Whigs.

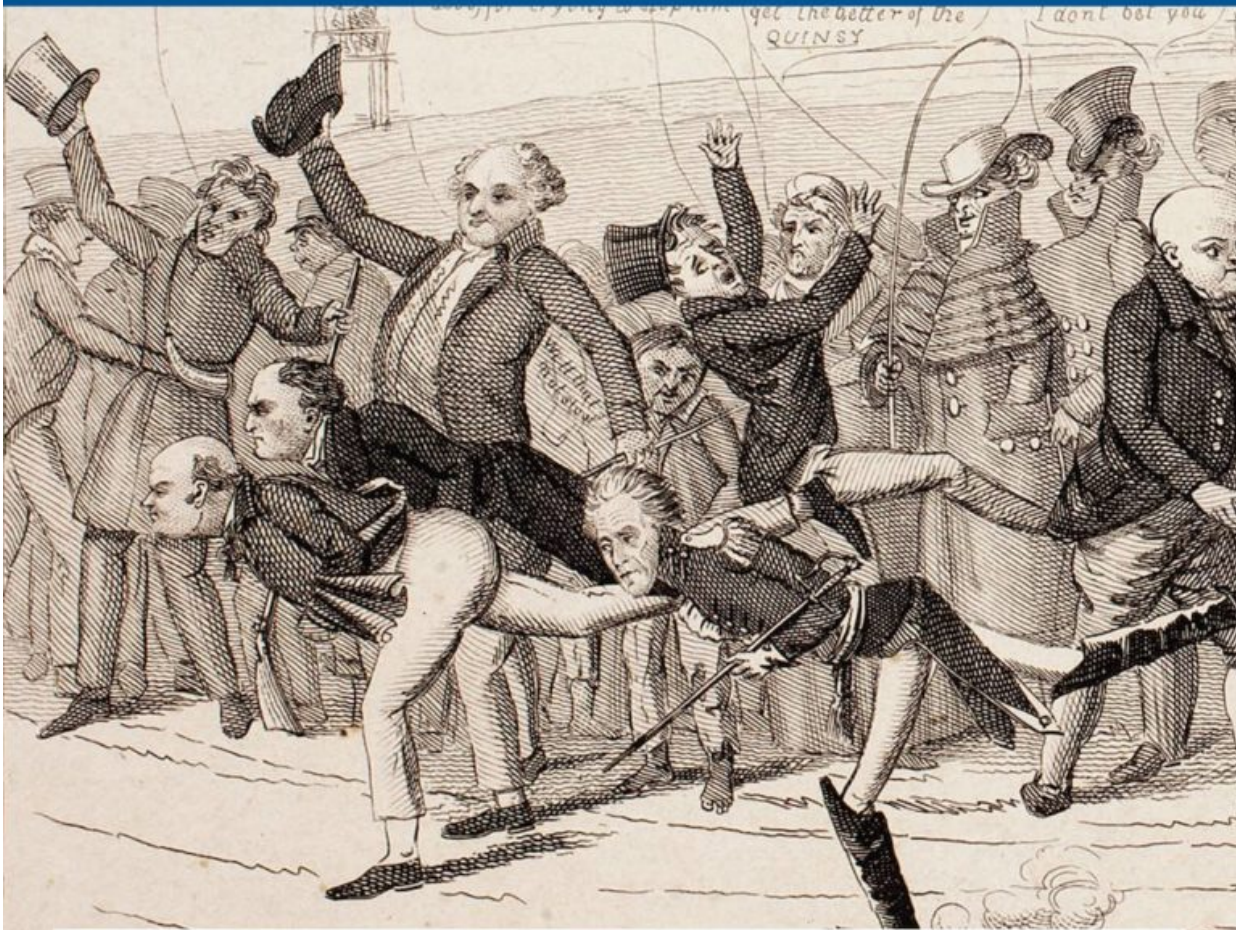
[Beards, Bachelors, and Brides: The Surprisingly Spicy Politics of the Presidential Election of 1856](#)



Across the pantheon of presidential elections in early America, few have stressed the themes of sex and gender so spicily as the heated contest of 1856. It was a year of many firsts.

[A Not-So-Corrupt Bargain](#)

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**THE ONE-PARTY
PRESIDENTIAL CONTEST**

Adams, Jackson, and 1824's Five-Horse Race

1824

As I read this book in the midst of yet another presidential election cycle, it was nearly impossible not to find strong parallels between these figures and our own presidential candidates.

Washington in China: A Media History of Reverse Painting on Glass



A meditation on early nineteenth-century Chinese portraits of George Washington.