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Cleverness is like rouge - liberal application makes a woman look common and desperate. Wit is knowing how to apply it.

~Tessa Dare

He couldn't compare a woman to a torrentially beautiful monsoon, and then look surprised that he'd gotten wet.

~Tessa Dare

Certainty becomes you.

~Tessa Dare

Is it truly so unfathomable, that an imperfect girl might be perfectly loved?

~Tessa Dare

Oh no. Don't smile. You'll kill me. I stop breathing when you smile.

~Tessa Dare

Don't. Don't play that game.― His brow pressed to hers. "When I heard you cry out . . . it was like a saber to the gut. I wanted to die.

~Tessa Dare

The Blushing Pansy," his cousin read aloud, in a tone of abject horror. "Tea shop and confectionery." Bram swore. This was going to be ugly.

~Tessa Dare

What is the world coming to, with these modern women? A man can't tell them what to do.

~Tessa Dare

A man might engage in flirtation with distinterest, even disdain. But he never teases without affection.

Forgive me, Your Grace. Are you suggesting a woman is some sort of â€l piece of fruit to you? One squeeze, and you know if she's ripe?

~Tessa Dare

Jesus. Jesus Christ and Mary Magdalene. Delilah, Jezebel, Salome, Judith, Eve. Trouble, every last one. Add Minerva Highwood to the list. ~Tessa Dare

This is true valor, I hope you know. Legends have sprung from less. All Lancelot did was paddle about in a balmy lake.― She smiled. "Lancelot was a knight. You're a viscount. The bar is higher.

~Tessa Dare

Think of it like running down a slope. If you attempt to slow down and choose your steps, you're bound to trip up and stumble.

~Tessa Dare

So there's an . . . an etiquette to raking. Some seducer's code of honor. Is this what you're telling me?

~Tessa Dare

Mr. Sand, do you think it's possible to fall in love in the space of a single day?" He smiled. "I wouldn't know. I only fall in love at night. Never lasts beyond breakfast, though.

~Tessa Dare

A home isn't only defined by what you need, Bram. It's also about the people who need you

~Tessa Dare

We have to get out of here, Bram. Before they take our bollocks and use them for pincushions.

She stared at him, horrified. And thrilled. And horrified at being thrilled.

~Tessa Dare

I'm not going to accept your challenge. There will be no duel." "Why not? Because I'm a woman?" "No, because I've seen the way you spinsters handle a pistol. You'd shoot me dead where I stood.

~Tessa Dare

Your breasts are alabaster orbs.' "What?" Rufus objected. "That's stupid. I'm not saying that." "Do you have some better suggestion?" "Why can't you just say she's got a fair set of titties?

~Tessa Dare

It's never been my desire to conquer you, Amelia. If you leave this room with me, it must be at my side. As my wife, my lover, my partner ...― His thumb brushed her lip. "My dearest friend.

~Tessa Dare

Men never hesitated to declare their presence. They were permitted to live aloud, in reverberating thuds and clunks, while ladies were always schooled to abide in hushed whispers.

~Tessa Dare

He laughed. A strained, ha, ha, I may die of this laugh.

~Tessa Dare

Oh no. Oh God. I couldn't possibly be so stupid." "Don't limit yourself. You can be anything you wish.

~Tessa Dare

I'll be damned,― he muttered."Most likely.― She folded the blanket with efficient snaps. "And I may be joining you, after what we just did.

Her,― he said. "l'll take her.

~Tessa Dare

Dedication: For librarians and booksellers everywhere, who gather books and build shelters for tender souls.

~Tessa Dare

That's it,― she said, balling her hands in fists. "l'm not letting you out of it this time. I insist that you take me to Scotland. I demand you ruin me. As a point of honor.

~Tessa Dare

Her chin lifted. "Very well. Here is my best offer. Half of my nakedness for all of yours." He pretended to think on it. " It's a bargain.

~Tessa Dare

Kate realized she had a grave problem. She was infatuated. Or mildly insane. Possibly both.

~Tessa Dare

Whatever soul I had, Katie, I think I placed it in your keeping twenty years ago. And now, it's as if...every time we kiss, you give a little piece of it back.

~Tessa Dare

You're like a gift,― he said, his voice rough. "All wrapped up for someone else. A man can't look at you, but think of loosing those bows, one by one.

~Tessa Dare

Amazing, then, how with that one remark, he made a mortifying situation thirteen times worse.

This is the normal way with birthdays, see? Amazingly enough, they arrive on the same day, every year.

~Tessa Dare

One more minute of this, and she'd be a certifiable simpleton.

~Tessa Dare

Clearly the sight of a well-muscled forearm incited a woman to utter depravity. How else to explain the invention of cuffs?

~Tessa Dare

No, no. Don't make that face. Every time I propose to you, you make that twisty, unhappy face. It wears on a man's confidence.

~Tessa Dare

Dedication: For all the girls who walk and read at the same time.

~Tessa Dare

I'm male. You rubbed your...femaleness all over me. I didn't think. I reacted.

~Tessa Dare

What on earth are you wearing? Did you take orders in a convent since we spoke last? Little Sisters of the Drab and Homely.

~Tessa Dare

Colin stared at the officer. "Thorne, you scare me. I'm not ashamed to say it.

~Tessa Dare

After spending all of her girlhood fervently wishing she could run away from homeâ€" she'd actually done it.

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