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“Love, Courtship and Marriage”

On Thursday a merry evening was enjoyed by a considerable audience in the Albion Hall, when Mr S Mitchell discoursed on “Love, Courtship and Marriage” to the accompaniment of 72 slides, taken from “Punch” and shown by Mr J B Morgan by means of Mr Mitchell’s lantern. From its “Funny Dog” years through the days of Mark Lemon’s editorship (when by the bye he resided at The Elms, Crawley), the tale went on telling of Thomas Hood’s “Song of the Shirt” which appeared in the Xmas number for 1843 through Thackeray’s, Tennyson’s and Jerrold’s contributions. The comicalities of amorous and other entrapped people, both young and old, were illustrated with the inimitable humour which all expect in “Punch” and kept all in good temper throughout an all too short evening. A vote of thanks was proposed by the Vicar.