



The Curren Bell Episode

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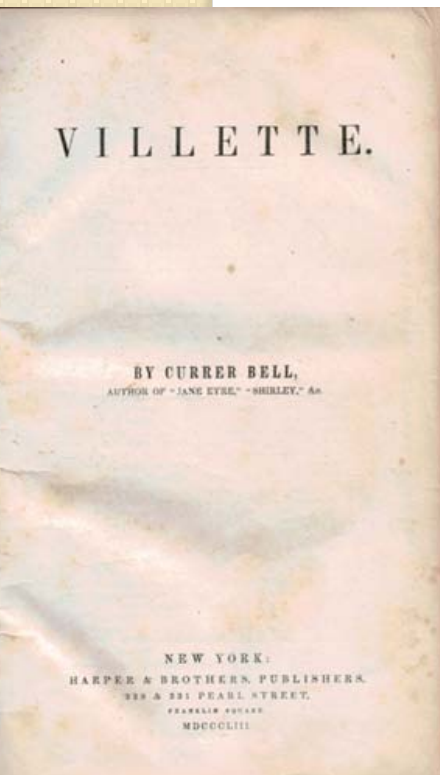
Who was Currer Bell?

- Charlotte Bronte's pen name
- 1846~1848

Where did the name come from?

- Arthur Bell Nichols
- Miss Frances Mary Richardson
Currer

Books that were written under the Pen name "Currer Bell"

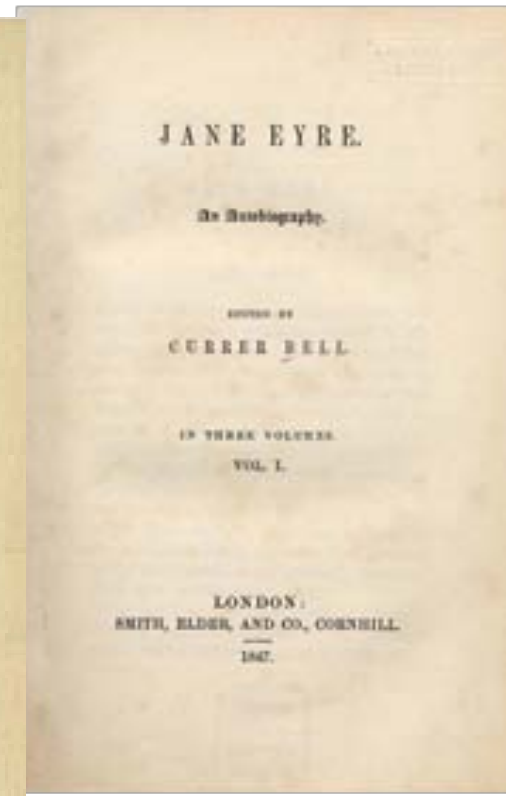
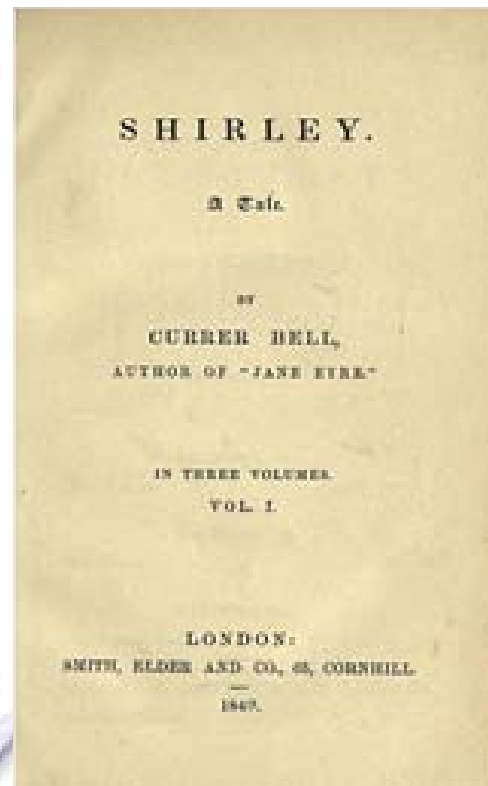


THE PROFESSOR.

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BY
CURRER BELL,
(EMILY BRONTË)
AUTHOR OF "JANE EYRE," "SHIRLEY," AND "VILLETTE."

IN THREE VOLUMES
THE POEMS
OF
CURRER, EMILY, AND ANNE BELL;
NOW FIRST COLLECTED.

LONDON:
SMITH, ELDER AND CO., 65, CORNHILL.
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Why did she do this?

- Used a pseudonym because, at the time, it was nearly impossible for a woman to get published.



Why did she use the pseudonym?

- Faced with prejudice
- Her work would have been taken as “feminine”
- Taken seriously/respected
- Broaden reading audience

Response to Jane Eyre

- Bestseller
- There was speculation about if the writer was a man or woman.
- There were many negative responses once it was known Jane Eyre was written by a woman.
- It was said to be an 'improper' book.

After Currer Bell

- Literary social circles
- Became friends with
 - Harriet Martineau and Elizabeth Gaskell
 - acquainted with William Makepeace Thackeray and G. H. Lewes.