

Marianne Faithfull "Covetousness"

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Family

Anna, so the papers say,
Is now set up in baltimore:
Lots of folk seem to be shooting themselves for her.

She must be near to the top and raking it in,
To get in the news like that!
Well, so far, so good; to be talked about
Helps a young girl up the ladder.

Let her beware of overdoing it!
Some people might think she was mean;
Folks shy away from a girl who's said to be mean;

Folks give a wide wide berth
To those who grab all they can get,

Point unfriendly fingers at
Those whose greed goes beyond all bounds.
In the measure you give
You will surely be given,
And as you do, so will you be done by:
Fair is fair.
All must keep this law.

We sincerely hope our smart little anna
Also has common sense
And will let them keep a shirt or two
When she lets them go for good.
Shameless boarders earn themselves a bad name.

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