# Webster's White Devil GTR'd

This document presents my steps taken to refine the data for my research project, investigating John Webster's (2004) play *The White Devil* through a cut-up process on GTR Workbench using the Travesty generator (high setting has n=6, low setting n=2). Each sample is named after the twelve stages of alchemical operation from Josephus Quercetanus (Jung, 1993, p. 239).

## I. Calcinatio

ACT III SCENE II [high setting of Project Gutenberg text]

The Arraignment of Vittoria

Enter Francisco, Monticelso, the six Lieger Ambassadors, Brachiano, Vittoria, Zanche, Flamineo, Marcello, Lawyer, and a Guard.

- *Mont.* Forbear, my lord, here is no place assign'd you. This business, by his Holiness, is left To our examination.
- Brach. May it thrive with you. [Lays a rich gown under him.
- *Fran.* A chair there for his Lordship.
- *Brach*. Forbear your kindness: an unbidden guest Should travel as Dutch women go to church, Bear their stools with them.
- *Mont.* At your pleasure, sir. Stand to the table, gentlewoman. Now, signior, Fall to your plea.

Lawyer. Domine judex, converte oculos in hanc pestem, mulierum corruptissiman.

*Vit.* What's he?

Mont.

- Fran. A lawyer that pleads against you.
- *Vit.* Pray, my lord, let him speak his usual tongue, I'll make no answer else.
- Fran. Why, you understand Latin.
- *Vit.* I do, sir, but amongst this auditory Which come to hear my cause, the half or more May be ignorant in't.
  - I am resolv'd,

Were there a second paradise to lose,

This devil would betray it.

- *Vit.* O poor Charity! Thou art seldom found in scarlet.
- Mont. Who knows not how, when several night by night Her gates were chok'd with coaches, and her rooms Outbrav'd the stars with several kind of lights; When she did counterfeit a prince's court In music, banquets, and most riotous surfeits; This whore forsooth was holy.

- *Vit.* Ha! whore! what's that?
- *Mont.* Shall I expound whore to you? sure I shall; I'll give aim to you, And tell you how near you shoot.
- Lawyer. Most literated judges, please your lordships So to connive your judgments to the view Of this debauch'd and diversivolent woman; Who such a black concatenation Of mischief hath effected, that to extirp The memory of 't, must be the consummation Of her, and her projections - - -
- *Vit.* Die with those pills in your most cursed maw, Should bring you health! or while you sit o'th'bench, Let your own spittle choke you!
- Mont. She's turned fury.
- Vit. That the last day of judgment may so find you, And leave you the same devil you were before! Instruct me, some good horse-leech, to speak treason; For since you cannot take my life for deeds, Take it for words. O woman's poor revenge, Which dwells but in the tongue! I will not weep; No, I do scorn to call up one poor tear To fawn on your injustice: bear me hence Unto this house of - - what's your mitigating title?
- Mont. Of convertites.
- Vit. It shall not be a house of convertites; My mind shall make it honester to me Than the Pope's palace, and more peaceable Than thy soul, though thou art a cardinal. Know this, and let it somewhat raise your spite, Through darkness diamonds spread their richest light. [*Exit*.

## Enter Brachiano

Brach. Now you and I are friends, sir, we'll shake hands In a friend's grave together; a fit place, Being th'emblem of soft peace, t'atone our hatred.

## Fran. Sir,

- Put up your papers in your fustian bag - [*Francisco speaks this as in scorn.* Cry mercy, sir, 'tis buckram and accept My notion of your learn'd verbosity.
- *Lawyer*. I most graduatically thank your lordship: I shall have use for them elsewhere.
- *Mont.* I shall be plainer with you, and paint out Your follies in more natural red and white Than that upon your cheek.

Vit.	Oh, you mistake!
,	You raise a blood as noble in this cheek
	As ever was your mother's.
Mont	I must spare you, till proof cry whore to that.
1110111.	Observe this creature here, my honour'd lords,
	A woman of must prodigious spirit,
	In her effected.
Vit.	My honourable lord,
,	It doth not suit a reverend cardinal
	To play the lawyer thus.
Mont.	
1110111.	Shall be more famous by it.
Ιανινρ	<i>r</i> . Well then, have at you.
Dawye. Vit.	I am at the mark, sir; I'll give aim to you,
<i>r 11</i> .	And tell you how near you shoot.
Ιανινρ	<i>r</i> . Most literated judges, please your lordships
Luwye	So to connive your judgments to the view
	Of this debauch'd and diversivolent woman;
	Who such a black concatenation
	Of mischief hath effected, that to extirp
	The memory of 't, must be the consummation
	Of her, and her projections
Vit.	Well, what then?
	I'll tell thee; I'll find in thee a'pothecary's shop,
1110111.	To sample them all.
Fr Am	<i>abass.</i> She hath a brave spirit.
	Well, well, such counterfeit jewels
1110111.	Make true ones oft suspected.
Vit.	You are deceiv'd:
v It.	For know, that all your strict-combined heads,
	Which strike against this mine of diamonds,
	Shall prove but glassen
	Shan prove out Subsen

# II. Solutio

ACT III SCENE II [low setting of Project Gutenberg text]

The Court hath a man Wherein' your trade instructs your names Of this Christian court In her. Dead! Cold Russian winters, Ill may prey the death: indeed, which are but you weep. I am not let these Be worthily applauded amongst this a number of must first stamps it for their richest light. Condemn you!

I heard her estate For that she will talk with her blessed memory Longer than dead: come from that you not like the six nights. Thou didst love to your father. *Lawver*. It doth not be a house of – *Fran.* Very good stomach to. Dead! what goodly and Count Lodovico Fran. Ha! Vit. ] Good; Who, even on your guise To call up one question: You have exulceration. Dead! or any man had lain Wound up one tune, are cunning! She hath swallow'd Some 'emblem of - what's your own spittle choke you proclaim'd them elsewhere. Ha! She'th'your peace, had you so black To you with warm blood let her hence. A lawyer that live? The sword you all. Domine judex, thou art a happy husband Is – Vit. In a preface to. Had I must first, Ill may I were before! For since you In faith. We 'pothecaries' your own spittle choke you the hard and judgment may prey the same devil murder, Exactions upon by that nature had lain Wound up three days. In virtue left, drink, is left, hear? Brach. Die with you health ! Vit. Vit. The Court hath effected, Marcello, she gave me first stamps it well spar'd, garments, have continued. Do not slept these Be worthily applauded amongst thouse Which forfeit all a deed so One summer she gave me first stamps it seems; Would those flattering bells have bespoke my accusation, honourably descended From every generous and diversivolent woman of force, sever head from the last day of force, You know what is. Had I'height, this assembly

Shall hear me but repetition

Of a whore' murderess' dog-days! what goodly and let these words sound man had you made

Both of blood as in a happy husband!

Mont. But take my lord, Vittoria

Enter Giovanni, this house of lead,

Worse than dead,

Being th' whore to my lady, my acquaintance)

Receiv'd in debt

To matters of another's lodging:

I did love me for Marcello.

*Fran.* In the stars To you frame of such an hundred nights. Dead!

*Vit.* An active plot; he jump'd into his neck? what is imperfect

III. Elementorum Separatio

*The Arraignment of a Guard.* [low setting of Calcinatio text] O poor Charity! whore forsooth was holy. Forbear your pleasure, how near you know him. Your ruin.

*Marc.* Hum! thou bear'st, Marcello, about her rooms Outbrav'd the great fights, here? I'd rather go weed garlic; wear sheep-skin linings, by the mistletoe, feed'st his Holiness, well, I'll make us no place assign'd you how, well in some surgeon's house at last tilting: he? he's an excellent horseman! what's that stink of diamonds, feed'st his Holiness, you in your father, are a cypress hatband, when several kind of captains, when we seldom find the view Of mischief hath a poor Charity! whore to obtain the forty thousand pedlars

in your mouth that's whole, or more

May be entered into the list of a dull ass; wear sheep-skin linings, gentlewoman.

Thou hast scarce maintenance

To her infamous

To gull suspicion.

I'll make us no place assign'd you shoot.

Lo you know him at last tilting: he showed like honey:

Their approbation, but circumstances

To all our examination.

Hear me:

And thus,

Lawyer

Lawyer

Lawyer,

Even with,

Alas, their stools with them. Your comfortable words are deceiv'd: And tell thee: This is your brother, such counterfeit jewels Make true ones oft suspected. Most literated judges, Were I wonder If Brachiano: an unbidden guest Should travel through France, here?

Mont. Most literated judges,

Till pain itself make her with, banquets,

Flamineo, for none are deceiv'd: you:

And thus, sir, therefore, such counterfeit a

Lawyer

Lawyer

Lawyer.

The Arraignment of captains, 'tis threatened they have but at last tilting,

Lawyer, Zanche, gentlewoman.

My lord, Monticelso, Bear their stools with you know, banquets, Shall I should sit upon the consummation Of all our examination. A chair there is no place assign'd you shoot. Stand to lose, Monticelso, like a candle of 't, first saw him speak his victories, well in his Holiness, come. Hear me: you how near you understand Latin. May it.

My lord, Vit.

This business, what hast scarce maintenance To undo my lord duke, here? he's an unbidden guest Should travel as one pines, Till pain to extirp The memory of Vittoria

## IV. Conjunctio

ACT III [low setting of both Solutio and Elementorum Separatio text] Enter Savov Ambassador

Lawyer, when several kind of Vittoria, Vittoria Enter French Ambassador Lawyer. Thou hast scarce maintenance To gull suspicion. O poor Charity! Do you understand Latin. Stand to the forty thousand pedlars in our quest of gain, what then broiled in our neighbouring kingdoms.

- *Fr.* Oh, Brachiano, converte oculos in thy prodigal blood: he looks like honey: For love of twelve i'th'pound.
- Fran. You have dealt discreetly, built upon the view
  Of her husband's death: an admirable tilter.
  He carried his stalking horse,
  This devil would not ill; wear sheep-skin linings, a blooming hawthorn –
- Vit.
- Vit. At your pleasure, 't, how near you know we seldom found in fresh chamois.
- *Fran.* Oh, what hast got?
- *Mont.* I would serve; he looks like a rich gown under him. Shall prove but kissed one in by the view Of all our quest of mirth, what then broiled in thee in them all.
- *Mont.* Why, 't, by the pox as Dutch women go to you know we have even pour'd ourselves Into great duke.
  - Followest the mistletoe, Monticelso, fie!
- Savoy Ambass. 't, is your plea.
  - What's he sleeps a-horseback, holding a Lawyer
  - Lawyer,
  - As witches do me right now?
  - So - - -
- Vit. Oh,
  - Were I

Enter Francisco, for none are judges, Which, banquets, sir.

*Fr.* What's he showed like a tilting: they wit be here is left To all your brother, signior, what

# V. Putrefactio

ACT III [low setting again on the Conjunctio text] *Savoy* 

Lawyer, when several kind of Vittoria,

Enter French Ambassador

. Thou hast scarce maintenance

To gull suspicion.

O poor Charity!

Do you understand Latin.

Stand the forty thousand pedlars in our quest gain, what then broiled in neighbouring kingdoms.

- *Fr.* Oh, Brachiano, converte oculos thy prodigal blood: he looks like honey: For love twelve i'th'pound.
- *Fran.* have dealt discreetly, built upon view her husband's death: an admirable tilter. carried his stalking horse,

This devil would not ill; wear sheep-skin linings, a blooming hawthorn -

- *Vit.* . At your pleasure, 't, how near know we seldom found fresh chamois. . got?
- *Mont.* I would serve; rich gown under him.
  - Shall prove but kissed one by

all mirth, thee them.

Why, pox as Dutch women go even pour'd

ourselves

Into great duke,

Followest mistletoe,

Monticelso, fie!

Ambass. plea.

What's sleeps a-horseback, holding a Lawyer

Lawyer,

witches me right now?

So - - - - -

Were I

Francisco, none are judges,

Which, banquets, sir. showed tilting: they wit be here is left brother, signior,

# VI. Coagulatio

ACT III [high setting of the Putrefactio text] Savoy Lawyer, when several kind of Vittoria, Enter French Ambassador. Thou hast scarce maintenance To gull suspicion. O poor Charity! Do you understand Latin. Stand the forty thousand pedlars in our quest gain, what then broiled in neighbouring kingdoms. Fr. Oh, Brachiano, converte oculos thy prodigal blood: he looks like honey: For love twelve i'th'pound. *Fran.* have dealt discreetly, built upon view her husband's death: an admirable tilter. carried his stalking horse, This devil would not ill; wear sheep-skin linings, a blooming hawthorn-At your pleasure, 't, how near know we seldom found fresh chamois. got? Mont. Vit. I would serve; rich gown under him. Shall prove but kissed one by all mirth, thee them. Why, pox as Dutch women go even pour'd ourselves Into great duke, Followest mistletoe, Monticelso, fie! Ambass

VII. Cibatio

# ACT III [low setting of Coagulatio text]

Savoy Lawyer, Monticelso,

Enter French Ambassador. got?

Mont.

- *Fran.* O poor Charity ! Do you understand Latin.
- *Mont.* I would serve; rich gown under him. Oh.
- *Mont.* carried his stalking horse, pox as Dutch women go even pour'd ourselves Into great duke, how near know we seldom found fresh chamois. O poor Charity

# VIII. Sublimatio

ACT III SCENE II [high setting of Project Gutenberg text and Cibatio]

The Arraignment of Vittoria

Enter Francisco, Monticelso, the six Lieger Ambassadors, Brachiano, Vittoria, Zanche, Flamineo, Marcello, Lawyer, and a Guard.

Enter French Ambassador

- *Mont.* Forbear, my lord, here is no place assign'd you. This business, by his Holiness, is left To our examination.
- Brach. May it thrive with you. [Lays a rich gown under him.
- Fran. A chair there for his Lordship.
- *Brach.* Forbear your kindness: an unbidden guest Should travel as Dutch women go to church, Bear their stools with them.
- Mont. At your pleasure, sir, pox as Dutch women.Stand to the table, gentlewoman.Now, signior, know we seldom found freshFall to your plea even pour'd ourselves.

Lawyer. Domine judex, converte oculos in hanc pestem, mulierum corruptissiman.

- *Vit.* What's all this? O poor Charity got?
  - Savoy Lawyer, Monticelso, how near chamois.

Mont. Into great duke, carried his stalking horse go

*Lawyer*. Hold your peace!

Exorbitant sins must have exulceration.

Vit. Surely, my lords, this lawyer here hath swallow'd Some 'pothecaries' bills, or proclamations; And now the hard and undigestible words Come up, like stones we use give hawks for physic. Why, this is Welsh to Latin.

Lawyer. My lords, the woman Knows not her tropes, nor figures, nor is perfect

In the academic derivation Of grammatical elocution. Fran. Sir, Put up your papers in your fustian bag - -[Francisco speaks this as in scorn. Cry mercy, sir, 'tis buckram and accept My notion of your learn'd verbosity. *Lawyer*. I most graduatically thank your lordship: I shall have use for them elsewhere. *Mont.* I shall be plainer with you, and paint out Your follies in more natural red and white Than that upon your cheek. Vit. Oh, you mistake! You raise a blood as noble in this cheek As ever was your mother's. Mont. I must spare you, till proof cry whore to that. Observe this creature here, my honour'd lords, A woman of must prodigious spirit, In her effected. Vit. My honourable lord, It doth not suit a reverend cardinal To play the lawyer thus. Mont. Oh, your trade instructs your language! You see, my lords, what goodly fruit she seems; Yet like those apples travellers report To grow where Sodom and Gomorrah stood, I will but touch her, and you straight shall see She'll fall to soot and ashes. Vit. Your envenom'd 'pothecary should do 't. Mont. Go on, sir. By your favour, I will not have my accusation clouded Vit. In a strange tongue: all this assembly Shall hear what you can charge me with. In faith, my lord, you might go pistol flies, The sport would be more noble. Mont. Very good. But take your course: it seems you've beggar'd me first, Vit. And now would fain undo me. I have houses, Jewels, and a poor remnant of crusadoes; Would those would make you charitable! *Mont.* If the devil Did ever take good shape, behold his picture. Vit. You have one virtue left, You will not flatter me. Fran. Who brought this letter? I am not compell'd to tell you. Vit.

Mont.	My lord duke sent to you a thousand ducats
	The twelfth of August.
Vit.	'Twas to keep your cousin
	From prison; I paid use for 't.
Mont.	I rather think,
	'Twas interest for his lust.
Vit.	Who says so but yourself? If you be my accuser,
	Pray cease to be my judge: come from the bench;
	Give in your evidence 'gainst me, and let these
	Be moderators.
	My lord cardinal,
	Were your intelligencing ears as loving
	As to my thoughts, had you an honest tongue,
	I would not care though you proclaim'd them all.
Mont.	
	After your goodly and vainglorious banquet,
	I'll give you a choke-pear.
Vit.	O' your own grafting?
Mont.	You were born in Venice, honourably descended
	From the Vittelli: 'twas my cousin's fate,
	Ill may I name the hour, to marry you;
	He bought you of your father.
Vit.	Ha!
Mont.	He spent there in six months
	Twelve thousand ducats, and (to my acquaintance)
	Receiv'd in dowry with you not one Julio:
	'Twas a hard pennyworth, the ware being so light.
	I yet but draw the curtain; now to your picture:
	You came from thence a most notorious strumpet,
	And so you have continued.
Vit.	My lord!
Mont.	Nay, hear me,
	You shall have time to prate.
	My Lord Brachiano
	Alas! I make but repetition
	Of what is ordinary and Rialto talk,
	And ballated, and would be play'd a'th'stage,
	But that vice many times finds such loud friends,
	That preachers are charm'd silent.
	You, gentlemen, Flamineo and Marcello,
	The Court hath nothing now to charge you with,

IX. Fermenatio

ACT III SCENE II [low setting of Sublimatio text] *The Arraignment of crusadoes;* 

Would those apples travellers report To our examination. [Francisco, That preachers are charm'd silent. Brach. You see, It doth not suit a strange tongue, the ware being so but yourself? If you not one Julio: come from thence a thousand ducats, Marcello, Marcello, That preachers are charm'd silent. By your language ! Mont. If you, signior, till proof cry whore to. You were born in hanc pestem, But that. [Lays a rich gown under him. Sir. Ill may I most graduatically thank your kindness: You will but repetition Of grammatical elocution. Cry mercy, Brachiano, the Vittelli: an unbidden guest Should travel as loving As ever was your papers in hanc pestem, Lawyer. [Lays a blood as in scorn. Forbear, Put up your peace! Exorbitant sins must have houses, had you proclaim'd them. What's all. Mont. Now, honourably descended From prison; I have my accuser, Were your course: 'pothecary should do 't. By your kindness: all. After your evidence' your course: come from the hard pennyworth, your Cheek As to be my judge: I shall see, Pray cease to church, how near chamois. Very good shape, Jewels, here is Welsh to tell you with them elsewhere. Very good. Go to your peace! Exorbitant sins must spare you might go pistol flies, I'll give hawks for 't. Hold your plea even pour'd ourselves. Cry mercy, Bear their stools with you a most notorious strumpet, or proclamations; Give in more noble. Your envenom'd 'bills,

## X. Exaltatio

ACT III SCENE II [high setting of Fermenatio text] The Arraignment of crusadoes; Would those apples travellers report To our examination. [Francisco, That preachers are charm'd silent. Brach. You see, It doth not suit a strange tongue, the ware being so but yourself? If you not one Julio: come from thence a thousand ducats, Marcello, Marcello, That preachers are charm'd silent. By your language! Mont. If you, signior, till proof cry whore to. You were born in hanc pestem, But that. [Lays a rich gown under him. Sir. Ill may I most graduatically thank your kindness: You will but repetition Of grammatical elocution. Cry mercy, Brachiano, the Vittelli: an unbidden guest Should travel as loving As ever was your papers in hanc pestem, Lawyer. [Lays a blood as in scorn. Forbear. Put up your peace! Exorbitant sins must have houses, had you proclaim'd them. What's all. *Mont.* Now, honourably descended From prison; I have my accuser, Were your course: 'pothecary should do 't. By your kindness: all. After your evidence' your course: come from the hard pennyworth, your Cheek As to be my judge: I shall see, Pray cease to church, how near chamois. Very

## XI. Augmentatio

ACT III SCENE II [low setting of Exaltatio text, with speaker tags reintroduced]
Enter Francisco, Monticelso, the six Lieger Ambassadors, Brachiano, Vittoria, Zanche, Flamineo, Marcello, Lawyer, and a Guard.
The Arraignment of crusadoes;
Vit. Would those apples travellers report
Mont. To our examination.
Brach. Sir, had you not suit a strange tongue,
Fran. Put up your peace!

Mont.	[to Francisco,	
	But that.	
Flam.	You see, the hard pennyworth,	
	Pray cease to church,	
	Were your kindness: come from thence a thousand ducats,	
	Put up your papers in hanc pestem,	
	That preachers are charm'd silent.	
Lawye	r. Sir,	
Vit.	Put up your kindness: 'pothecary should do 't.	
Mont.	Now, Marcello,	
	Put up your language!	
Brach.	Exorbitant sins must have my accuser, honourably descended	
	From prison; I shall see, had you, signior, honourably descended	
	From prison; I have houses,	
	It doth not one Julio: 'pothecary should do 't.	
Mont.	You will but yourself?	
Vit.	If you,	
	Were your language!	
Mont.	You will but repetition	
	Of grammatical elocution.	
	What's all. [Lays a blood as in hanc pestem, your	
Marc.	Cheek	
	As ever was your	
	Cheek	
	As ever was your language!	
Mont.	Sir, Marcello, your	
	Cheek	
	As to church,	
	But that.	
Flam.	5 5 5 T	
× ×.	them.	
Vit.	What's all.	
	You were born in scorn.	
Flam.	Cry mercy,	
17	It doth not suit a rich gown under him.	
	After your language!	
Vit.	Exorbitant sins must have my accuser,	
Lawyer. What's all.		
<b>F</b>	By your evidence's your evidence 't.	
Fran.	very	

# XII. Projectio

ACT III SCENE II [high setting of Augmentatio text]

Enter Francisco, Monticelso, the six Lieger Ambassadors, Brachiano, Vittoria, Zanche, Flamineo, Marcello, Lawyer, and a Guard.

The Arraignment of Crusadoes;

- *Mont.* Would those apples travellers report To our examination.
- Brach. Sir, had you not suit a strange tongue?
- Fran. Put up your peace!
- Mont. [to Francisco] But that.
- *Flam.* You see, the hard pennyworth your kindness Were come from thence a thousand ducats, Put up your papers in hanc pestem,
- *Mont.* That preachers are charm'd silent.
- Marc. Sir, pray cease to church.
- *Vit.* Put up your kindness: 'pothecary should do 't.
- Mont. Now, Marcello,
  - Put up your language!
- *Brach.* Exorbitant sins must have my accuser, honourably descended From prison; I have houses, It doth not one Julio: 'pothecary should do 't.

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