# Cinema and The New Woman

COMPARING ARZNER AND GUY BLACHÉ

# Defining the New Woman

- Economic independence, joining workforce
- Self-fulfillment,
  <u>challenging Victorian</u>
  <u>gender norms</u>
- Legal and social equality
- Education
- Political voice
- Sexual independence
- <u>Dress freedom</u>



#### Image source:

The National Women's History Museum

### The New Woman in Guy Blaché



Screen shot from A House Divided (1913)



Screen shot from Matrimony's Speed Limit (1913)

# Cynthia as Fulfillment and Containment

Still from *Christopher Strong* (1933). Image source: One Life: Kate

