

**SOMETHING FOR UNMARRIED MEN TO READ.**

The Cleveland Leader, in an elaborate article headed, "What kind of a man is attractive to women?" thus sensibly answers the question:

The answer can be given in a few words: God has so made the sexes that women, like children, cling to men; lean upon them for protection, care and love; look up to them as though they were superior in mind and body. They make them the suns of their system, and they and their children revolve around them. Men are gods if they but knew it, and women burning incense at their shrines. Women, therefore, who have good minds and pure hearts, want men to lean upon. Think of their reverencing a drunkard, a liar, a fool, or a libertine. If a man would have a woman to do him homage, he must be manly in every sense, a true gentleman, not after the Chesterfield school, but polite because his heart is full of kindness to all; one who treats her with respect, even deference, because she is a woman; who never condescends to say silly things to her; who brings her up to his level if his mind is above her's, who is never over anxious to please, but always anxious to do right; who has no time to be frivolous with her; always dignified in speech and act; who never spends too much upon her; never yields to temptation, even if she puts it in his way; who is ambitious to make his mark in the world whether she encourages him or not; who is never familiar with her to the extent of being an adopted brother or cousin; who is not over careful about dress; always pleasant and considerate, but always keeping his place of the man, the head, and never losing it. Such deportment, with noble principles, a good mind, energy and industry, will win any woman in the land who is worth winning.

**THE FIRST PRACTICAL REAP-ING MACHINE.**

At a recent meeting of the "British Association," the Rev. Patrick Bell, of Carmyllie, Scotland, who claims to be the inventor of the reaping machine, gave the history of his invention. A pair of shears suggested to him the idea upon which to construct the cutters, the fundamental part of the machine. Mr. Bell tells the story of his first attempt as follows:

After making my calculations as to size, etc., I joined a quantity of rough sticks together, and called them a frame. Then I made gutters of wood of every part that required to be made of iron and steel. I sent these piece by piece, as I required them, to the blacksmith, with the instructions to make a thing of iron as like the wooden ones sent as possible. When I had got a few of the pieces from the smith, I finished them with the file, and secured each to its proper place. I remember the cutters gave me a world of trouble and vexation. When they came into my hands they were in a very rude state, and required much filing, grinding, and fitting. By dint of patient application I got the whole into a sufficiently perfect state, as I thought, for trial.

One day an eavesdropper might have seen me busily but stealthily engaged in conveying earth in a common wheelbarrow into my workshop. When the floor was covered to the depth of some six inches, I proceeded to compress the loose mold with my feet. I next went to an old stack that happened to be in the barnyard, and drawing a sheaf of oats out of it, and carrying it to the workshop, I planted it stalk by stalk at about the same thickness at which I knew it would have grown in the field. This done, I shut and barred the door, and then going behind the machine I pushed it forward with all my might through the planted oats. As soon as I recovered my breath I anxiously examined how the work had been done. I found that it had been all very well cut, but it was lying higgledy-piggledy, in such a mess as would have utterly disgraced me in the harvest field. Upon the whole, however, I was not discouraged, but rather encouraged by this first experiment.

Some one says the best way for a man to train up a child in the way it should go, is to travel that way occasionally himself.

"What makes your cows so cross?" said an old lady to the milkman the other day. "Cross, madam? they are the gentlest things in the world." "Well, the milk is always sour!" the matron replied sharply.

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