

**MEN AND HOGS.**

EDITOR CONSERVATIVE:

In your issue of the 25th of July, 1901, your thoughts expressed under the title "Men and Hogs" and the question you present "When will men be bred as wisely as swine are bred?" awakens in me a desire to make a few remarks, and then to answer your question, which I believe I can do to your satisfaction.

When a small boy in attendance at a circus, the clown said "Man is an animal;" then, after a pause, he quickly said, "So is a hog." The crowd laughed; I laughed too. Then I got to thinking the thing over and tried to see where the joke was. At first I thought the joke was on the man, but being on the man, and I, hoping then to become a man, could not see anything to laugh at. As I became older the clown's joke bothered me more than ever, and as I often meet men meaner than hogs, in the street cars and various places; when I see a whole nation of people who call themselves civilized and Christians, with a greedy desire for wealth and power, carry on a relentless war against a smaller and weaker nation, in order to wrest from them sovereignty, and for commercial gain; then I think that the joke was on the hog.

Speaking of hogs, can THE CONSERVATIVE tell why it is that a pig is born with a full set of teeth and a man is born with none, and has a lot of trouble cutting them? I have worried over the matter when raising children and hogs on the farm, but am rather inclined now to think that he who created both, had some reason for doing so and did not deem it of sufficient importance that men should know. I remember the philosopher who got the notion in his head, that the Creator made a mistake in putting small acorns on large oaks, and large pumpkins on small vines; until by chance a falling acorn struck him on the crown, he changed his mind and thought of other things.

In answer to the question "When will men be bred as wisely as swine are bred," I shall call your attention to successful, scientific experiments in a change in the manner of breeding animals which you seem to have overlooked. I quote from the Holstein Friesian Register:

"A very important discovery in biology is credited to Prof. Jaques Loeb, of Chicago. Through a series of experiments the professor has found a process of producing young from the ovum of female animals by making a combination of chemicals to take the place of the fertilization received from the male parent. Professor Loeb is the head of the department of physiology and biology at the Chicago University. The theory of parthenogenesis, or the production of young by a single parent, has engaged the attention of scientists for years, but Professor Loeb has offered

the first proof of its truth. Professor Loeb's successful experiments have been conducted with the lower forms of marine life, such as sea-urchins and starfish, but he believes the law is capable of general application."

Long after we are dead, things may be different and the whole human race may be amazons.

ENOCH HARPOLE.

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**ABOUT PRODUCING GREAT MEN.**

The most interesting aspect of the subject of producing supremely great men is what may be called the superstitious aspect of it. There is no other subject that we know as little about, few others about which so much has been written. The weariest weight of dull nonsense on the book-shelves of the world are the endless volumes whose authors pretend to give a logical account of supremely great men. Why Shakespeare was Shakespeare, why he came when he did, why he did what he did—the "influences" that shaped his mind and the whole multitudinous folderol have wasted much time of industrious men and simple readers.

And in one sense it is perfectly true that a democracy cannot afford to be straining after the production of great men, even if it knew how to produce them; for the business of a democracy is to give every man a chance to develop what small or great measure of power is in him. The great men will take care of themselves when they come. How to entice nature to bring them forth—that is so far beyond us that Mr. Schurman's reproach seems academic and fantastical; and, if "all our higher institutions of learning must bear the reproach," as he said, what a task he lays on our institutions of learning! They may produce scholars, but scholars are mere hewers of wood and horny-handed sons of toil beside great men.—August World's Work.

TO THE EDITOR:

Permit me to make the statement, that in my judgment, THE CONSERVATIVE contains the highest class of advertising patronage I have yet seen in an American newspaper.

A. A. TEMPLETON.

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**THE YOUNG MAN'S CHANCES.**

Next week, August 15th, THE CONSERVATIVE will publish several contributions from successful, western men in various occupations, setting forth, each in his own peculiar way, the exact chances or more correctly speaking, opportunities of the average, bright young man of today, in his particular line of business.

In publishing this symposium, THE CONSERVATIVE has undertaken to select only those gentlemen, who have attained success and prominence through their own individual energy and industry.

It has been no small task to select from the great mass of American business men, just the ones, who could in a terse way, point out the avenue of ultimate success to the younger generation.

The publishers are pleased, however, to announce that the men chosen, have responded with great willingness to this request, and they take this means of publicly expressing their appreciation of this great assistance in making this special issue of THE CONSERVATIVE a success.

The attempt has developed into such a success that it has been found necessary to enlarge the ordinary edition of THE CONSERVATIVE to twenty-four pages. Almost every article will be accompanied by a half-tone likeness of its author.

After having succeeded in this attempt to compile these letters, the work is but half done. It is a comparatively easy matter to print that which has already been written, but the publishers, and especially the editor of THE CONSERVATIVE, are extremely desirous that this edition of THE CONSERVATIVE be placed in the hands of every young man in the country, and for this reason, an extra large number of copies will be run off, and they will be kept in the office, with the intention of supplying any orders, which may come by mail.

The plan of this collection of contributions was conceived in order to offset to as large a degree as possible, the unmanly discouragement which has been, probably unconsciously, thrown in the pathway of aspiring, young manhood.

It seems to be the conviction of self-made men today, that the number of opportunities for attaining success is on the increase. On the other hand, these same opportunities may slip quietly by, unless the young man be fully alive to the situation and grasp and appropriate them to his own individual use.

The assistance of all subscribers to THE CONSERVATIVE, is requested in order that this particular issue of THE CONSERVATIVE may be distributed as widely as possible.