

## Faithless Yet Faithful.

That man I count as of heroic mould  
Who knows no life not present—lacking  
light,  
Yet, manful under shield, maintains his  
fight  
Against life's evils, nor his help withholds  
From weaklings who must fall without the  
might  
Of the strong arm that he about them folds;  
Not servant of himself, but of the right;  
Of human dross he is the thrice-fold gold.

Who live by faith, know ye why ye should  
fear—  
Ye, with God's presence, where the issue tends,  
Who know, through linked being, far and  
near,  
One great salvation all things comprehends.

As large in stature he, himself who spends  
To right the commonweal, deeming with  
death all ends. —Idyll.

## THE LITERARY SHOW.

A Notable Book for the Perfection of  
Bachelors.

I have always felt deeply grateful to the Appletons for the excellent textbooks upon the social proprieties that they have issued from time to time. The pleasure that they have often afforded to me is renewed and enhanced by reason of the volume, "The Complete Bachelor," the work of the author of the "As Seen By Him" papers, and the accumulation, I believe, of the various information upon social questions that has appeared from time to time in the publication called *Vogue*. The author says in his preface that he supposes a book of this sort needs some excuse. He is mistaken. Not only does it need no excuse, but it must be that there await it only thankfulness and praise. Truly is it said, in the opening chapter, that "in the street, when walking with a woman, every man should be on his mettle." The dull reader may inquire why a man should be particularly on his mettle at this auspicious time. The author goes on to enlighten him. "Common sense," he says, "which is the basis of all etiquette, teaches him that he should be her protector. Therefore, under general circumstances, his place is on the street or outer side." It will be noted here how the author has availed himself of the saving clause, "under general circumstances." If the runaway horse, the mad dog, or the intoxicated and belligerent ruffian happens to be on the other side of the walk, the escort of course will change his place and subordinate pure and abstract etiquette to the needs of immediate concerns. That is, he will do this if he has courage and presence of mind, and if it is sincerely his desire to be himself run over by the horse, bitten by the dog, or licked by the ruffian rather than to offer the lady as an alternative. Common sense is, indeed, as the author declares, the basis of all etiquette, but another element hardly reflective, dependent almost wholly upon the habit of the nerves, creates itself at the moment when the mad dog is understood to be coming. The idea that the man should keep distinctly in mind is, as "The Complete Bachelor" explicitly sets forth, to take the side of the walk "which will enable him to shield his fair companion from all annoyance." Inasmuch as a mad dog or a runaway horse may reasonably be considered to constitute an annoyance, plainly the thing for the man to do, supposing that he is properly unselfish, is to place himself promptly upon whatever side the circumstances may indicate.

On page 31 I find it declared that "a man always raises his hat and remains uncovered when talking to a woman." It is to be observed, however, that the police and Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry are exempt from the requirements of this rule. I have been greatly impressed by the strong common sense of a rule that may be found on page 5. Here "The Complete Bachelor" says: "When escorting a woman to a house where she

is to make a visit, always mount the stoop or steps with her, ring the bell, and remain there until the servant comes to the door." Of course, if it should be the case that the servant has gone to Cohoes to visit her step-mother, it is not necessary to remain on the stoop or steps until her return. In all these cases the student of manners is supposed to exercise his best discretion. When the servant comes to the door, supposing she is not in Cohoes, "if you are not going in, take off your hat," says "The Complete Bachelor," "and leave her." This rule, it seems to me, is altogether admirable. It would be extremely annoying to the householder if the escort, after mounting the stoop and lifting his hat, should carry the servant away. It is inestimably more decent to leave her, and if any of my readers should be visited by the temptation to carry off a servant in the specified circumstance, I beg that he will think twice of the matter and do his best to restrain the rascally propensity.

"In walking," says the author, "a man should carry either a stick or a well-rolled umbrella." Of course this rule is not to be observed strictly in the event of rain. A man walking, in case it rains, may reasonably unroll his umbrella and so carry it that it will fulfil its fundamental purpose and keep some of the rain off of him.

Two or three things in "The Complete Bachelor" have puzzled me a little. "Warm water is not absolutely necessary for shaving," it says on page 18, "as some beards are soft and resist heat." I do not know why a soft beard especially should resist heat. Again, on page 20, I find the curious piece of instruction: "See that your toothbrush is sweet and clean, and place it handle down in the tooth mug." What the dickens is a tooth mug? I should like to dwell speculatively upon this passage, as well as upon the one on page 29, in which the author declares that "in wet weather it is absolutely necessary to turn up the bottoms of your trousers in order to keep them from fraying." Of the model for the address of a letter, afforded on page 123, I cannot wholly approve. To put a double cross-cross in front of a street number seems to me to smack of the shipping clerk, and to suggest dry-goods boxes, and I should think that a letter would get to its destination quite as well without it. However, it is not much fault that I have to find with "The Complete Bachelor." It fills a need, it is beautiful as well as useful; and I wish that every bachelor might live up to it. —The Oolooker.

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Dated this 6th day of January, A. D. 1897.

## The New Noise in My House.

I was told to step with caution,  
And not to talk too loud;  
To laugh a little easier  
And not bring home a crowd.

A silent little nurse came in  
She sent me in the hall.  
I tried to ask some questions,  
But cut no ice at all.

They sent me round the corner,  
But I stole back like a mouse,  
And then went off to celebrate  
The new noise in my house.  
—The Older Brother.

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Notice of this proceeding shall be published three weeks successively in The Courier prior to said hearing.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this 18th day of January, A. D. 1897. S. T. Cochran,  
26 County Judge.

He—I have troubles in killing time.  
She—Why don't you just talk to it?

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