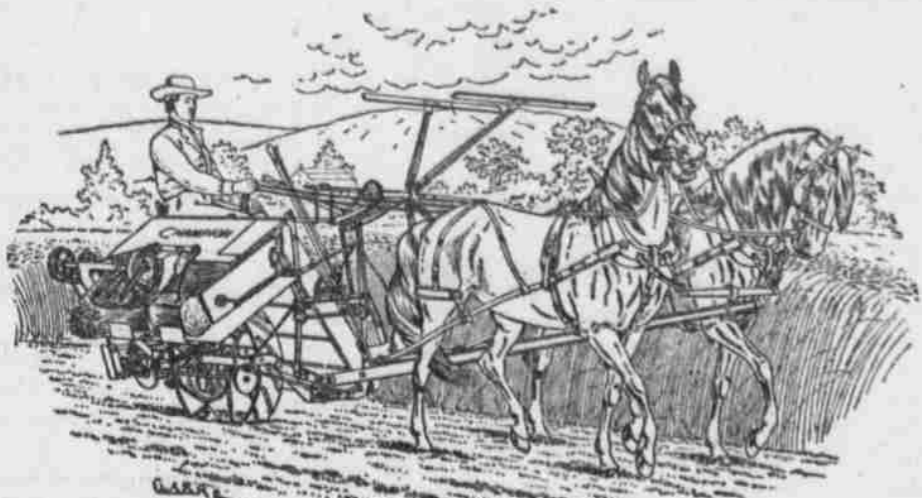


The Great Champion Works Cover Sixty Acres of Ground

THE GREAT CHAMPION WORKS AT SPRINGFIELD, OHIO, ARE THE RESULT OF A GRADUAL GROWTH, DATING BACK OVER HALF A CENTURY, AND TO THE VERY EARLIEST DAYS OF THE USE OF HARVESTING MACHINES. THE LOCATION OF THE FACTORY SITE DATES BACK EVEN FURTHER, TO THE FIRST SETTLEMENT OF THIS PORTION OF THE COUNTRY. ONE OF THE EARLY HUNTERS, TRAPPERS AND INDIAN FIGHTERS, SIMON KENTON BY NAME, LOCATED HERE AND BUILT A LOG GRIST-MILL. TO THE GRINDING OF GRIST WERE AFTERWARDS ADDED A SAWMILL AND AN IMPLEMENT FACTORY, WHERE WERE MADE FIRST, SMALL FARMING TOOLS; LATER, WAGONS AND LARGER FARMING IMPLEMENTS, AND IN 1849 WAS BEGUN THE MANUFACTURE OF REAPERS AND MOWERS.

THE PICTURE, MADE FROM A PHOTOGRAPH OF THESE GREAT WORKS, TAKEN FROM A TOWER ERECTED ESPECIALLY FOR THE PURPOSE, AND WHICH PICTURE MAY BE SEEN AT THE OFFICE OF THE MITCHELL, LEWIS & STAYER CO.'S WAREHOUSES IN SALEM, GIVES SOME IDEA OF THEIR SIZE; BUT ONLY BY A PERSONAL VISIT WHEN ONE MAY SEE THE THOUSANDS OF BUSY MEN IN ALL DEPARTMENTS, CAN HE GAIN AN IDEA OF THE IMMENSITY OF THE INDUSTRY AND THE GREAT DEMAND THAT EXISTS IN THE UNITED STATES AND IN OTHER COUNTRIES FOR THE CHAMPIONS. IN THESE SHOPS ONLY CHAMPION HARVESTING MACHINES ARE MADE, AND THIS FACT WILL HELP TO GIVE SOME IDEA OF THE POPULARITY WHICH THEY HAVE ATTAINED. NO MACHINE LEAVES THE CHAMPION FACTORY UNTIL IT IS CAREFULLY INSPECTED AND TESTED.

The CHAMPION Force Feed BINDER



First in importance among Champion harvesting machines is the Champion binder; no machine has contributed more to the popularity of the Champion line, and none ever gave better satisfaction. The Champion, with improved force feed elevator, power-giving eccentric wheel on the binding attachment, and other special features, has established a world-wide reputation for successfully handling crops under the most difficult conditions, as well as under ordinary and favorable conditions.

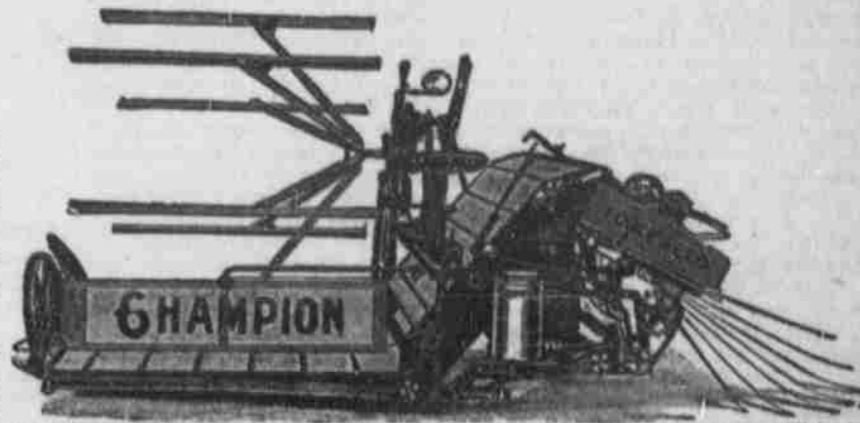
The rear elevator end is closed, which affords substantial support to the rollers of the upper belt, and keeps it always perfectly true. The platform and elevating belts are very wide, giving the machine greater capacity for long grain. The binding deck is steep, yet the grain is elevated no higher than on any other binder. The seat-board is high up, that long grain may not fall against it, but will strike the canvass belt, and be carried up to the elevator promptly.

Two Good Features for Short Grain

When you lower the Champion binder on the master wheel you move the machine backward in relation to the axle. This is as it should be, because when cutting short grain the machine is not only set low, but the binding attachment is shifted forward to put the bands in the middle of the bundles. The weight added behind thus balances the weight added in front, and neckweight is prevented. It is a simple device, but a valuable one, and patented, and is found only on the Champion.

When the grain is short or lodged or weedy at bottom, the Champion relief rake is a great time-saver. It prevents any accumulation of trash or grain at the junction of the finger bar with the elevator, so a full swath can be cut in all conditions, and the driver never has to get off his seat to clean off this place.

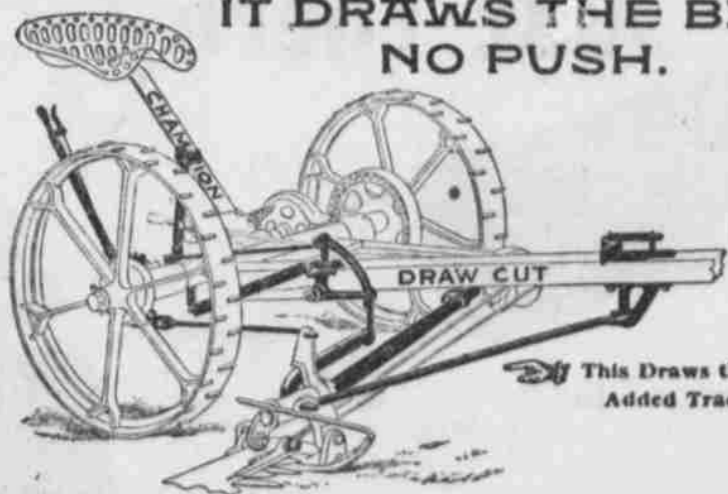
Another advantage of the Champion is that the platform canvas runs only one-half an inch back of the knife and nearly level with it. Champion machines are not only strong but light of draft; and, strange as it may seem at first thought, are light of draft largely because of their strength. If the shaft and gears of a machine are not held firmly at all times, are poorly supported and spring and bind under the strain of a heavy load, or when the machine is at work on rough land, there will be an excessive amount of friction, which causes heavy draft, and also rapid wear of all the moving parts. This is entirely avoided on the Champions, by proper construction and proportion of the parts, for on these machines strength, light draft, and durability are never sacrificed to cheapness. The Champion binder is further equipped as a light draft machine with ball and roller bearings of an improved and substantial pattern.



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IT DRAWS THE BAR—
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This Draws the Bar.
Added Traction.

THE WHEELS WILL NOT LIFT FROM THE GROUND.

What Is Meant by Draw Cut

"Draw Cut" means drawing the finger bar of a mower along over the ground instead of pushing it. Drawing the finger bar entirely, not pushing it in the least, is what gives the CHAMPION the great cutting power for which it is celebrated. But this is only one of the advantages of the Champion. It has, besides, great strength and durability, is light in draft and easy to operate, and excels in devices for preventing wear and for taking it up and renewing the life of the machine when it does occur. The success of the Champion Draw Cut Mower has been phenomenal; that the machine has deserved this success, every purchaser will testify. The draw cut mower is without doubt the most durable and powerful mower which has ever been made in the Champion factories. Those, only, who are familiar with the old Champion rear cut mowers made many years ago, which lasted the owners for a generation, can fully appreciate this statement. The Champion draw cut has the strength and cutting power of the old rear cut with all the convenience of the modern front cut, and, besides, important adjustments not found on any other mower.

CHAMPION HAY RAKES

THE CHAMPION lock-lever self-dump rake. With this machine a boy may rake the heaviest hay and bunch it with the rake as well as a man. The foot lever for holding the teeth down may be locked or not as desired; when locked no effort is required to hold the teeth down while gathering, but simply the weight of the driver's foot will keep them in position. It is a simple device. It cannot get out of order.



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