

than I have estimated, it must be charged to my want of *capacity*, and not to any lack of *information* on the subject of which it treats.

THE HINTS TO GENTLEMEN ON THE ART OF FASCINATING, I am sure, will prove amusing to the ladies. And I shall be disappointed if it fails to be a useful and instructive lesson to the other gender. The men have been laughing, I know not how many thousands of years, at the *vanity* of women, and if the women have not been able to return the compliment, and laugh at the *vanity* on the other side of the house, it is only because they have been wanting in a proper knowledge of the bearded gender.

If my "Hints" shall prove to be a looking-glass in which the men can "see themselves as others see them," they will, I hope, not be unthankful for the favor I have done them. And if my own sex receives this book in the same spirit with which I have addressed myself to its subject, I shall be happy in the conviction that I have rendered my experience serviceable to them and honorable to myself.

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