

one by one, were left on the field in groups of three or four, for the convenience of those who gathered them into shocks.

The
Reaper-
Thresher

If the history of the self-binder consists of seven stages we must not forget that there is an eighth stage in the form of a "super-binder"—the reaper-thresher. This machine is the result of a long series of experiments, in which the Massey-Harris Company took a leading part. Some years ago a machine of this type was perfected, by which at one time the heads of grain could be stripped off and threshed in the field. Further experiments by the Company have now led to the development of the reaper-thresher which combines completely the function of the binder and threshing-machine. These implements are sold almost entirely in Australia and South America where the standing crop dries soon enough to make threshing in the field a possibility.

