

some of this world's goods so much the better. Now, hurry up, girls, and don't be any ways shy, for I am not such a bad sort, although I say it myself. I will leave my address with the editor and ask him to please forward any letters received for me.

"Diogenes."

A Straight Rail Fence.

Fielding, Sask., August 19, 1908.

Editor.—Being an interested reader of your magazine and also a subscriber, I take great interest in reading the stories but more especially the correspondence columns.

I am a homesteader and would like to correspond with some young lady from 16 to 20. I am 22 years old, height 5 feet 10 inches, weigh 150 pounds, am considered good looking. Will answer all letters and send photo. Please forward enclosed letter to "School Girl." Hoping I have not said too much for a beginner and wishing your paper immense success.

A Chesty Homesteader.

Saskatchewan, August 20, 1908.

Editor.—As I am an interested reader of your valuable magazine and think it all it is claimed to be, and seeing so many letters from the West, I will write a few lines also and see if I can get a few correspondents.

I am a homesteader and have the cage but have the bird to catch yet. That is, if I am lucky enough to miss the waste paper basket. If any good looking young girl with dark eyes would like to write to a boy of modern habits, who goes to church, but is not a preacher.

All letters will be welcome if the writers are not too old; anywhere between 16 and 23 will be acceptable. Eastern girls preferred.

Now, girls, write quick as your chance won't last long. My address is with the editor. Hoping this letter will find its way into your columns.

"A Healthy Lemon."

College Graduate Seeks Girl of Beauty.

Alberta, August 28, 1908.

Editor.—I have recently become interested in the W. H. M. and solicit a brief space in your valuable columns.

Am a college graduate, tall and stylish, of the fair type, have a valuable homestead and a good salary. Would correspond with a girl of beauty, of petit form, and roseate complexion, and fond of driving and outings. A farmer's daughter preferred. Enclose all photo and full particulars in first letter.

Will Somebody Write to Him?

Toronto, Ont., August 17, 1908.

Editor.—I have been very much interested in some of the letters in your correspondence column. I suppose a large percentage of them are written in good faith, and with the honest intention of making friends in other parts of the country. By this time the thanks of many will be due to you for the many friendships they have made and the pleasure they have derived from their correspondence with those whom they could not have got in touch with but for your generosity in placing your columns at their disposal.

But I wonder if there are any others who have been treated the same as I have. Through your agency I have written to three of your correspondents and not one of my letters have been even acknowledged. Of course, I know that the blame rests on the recipients of the letters, but surely it would be a very easy thing for them to have mailed a card stating that mine had been received.

However, I have written this letter for the column in the hopes of getting into correspondence with some nice girl, or I should like to hear from some young fellow who could tell me something about the West.

I am 22 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches in height and weigh 130 pounds. Am not a lonely bachelor, have traveled a little, and am a total abstainer from liquor. If "Prairie Rose" is not too busy corresponding with "A Home Lover," will she please send her address to "Happy Lad."

P. S.—Anyone else who will write will receive an answer.

Sweet Sixteen Would Correspond.

Wolseley, July 24, 1908.

Editor.—Being a subscriber to your valuable magazine I thought I would take advantage of the correspondence column. I am a farmer's daughter and we live four miles from Wolseley. I am very fond of skating and dancing, and like to watch all kinds of outdoor games.

I am a good cook and I can do all kinds of housework, can milk cows, but never handled horses, though I would like to learn because I am very fond of them.

I am not wanting to get married for I have plenty of time. I am only sixteen. I am very fair, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weigh 127 pounds. I would like to correspond with some boys with dark eyes and dark hair, but I am not particular.

Some girls say they would not marry a man that smokes. I don't object to smoking but he must not touch liquor in any form.

If any of the nice boys wish to correspond with me my address will be found with the editor.

"Sweet Sixteen."

Widow Interested in "Scotty."

Alberta, July 27, 1908.

Editor.—I have seen your paper, the Western Home Monthly, and have read a few of the letters. I don't wish my letter or name to be mentioned in the paper until I hear more particulars of you.

I would like to have the name and address of a letter in the June number by the name of "Scotchman." Could you send to my address his name and address and after hearing from you will forward same by reply.

"Widow No. 10."

Not Marriage, Just Sympathy.

Ontario, July 28, 1908.

Editor.—Having read your magazine for the past few months we have taken great interest in the correspondence column and ask leave to join.

We are just in for a little sport along with our other stranger friends but do not wish our names published. As far as matrimony is concerned, we are strictly out of it—yet we sympathize with those lonely bachelors.

We are both fair, blue eyes and medium height, fond of outdoor sports, reading and writing. We would like the enclosed letters forwarded to "Blue Nose." Wishing your paper every success, we are

"Forget-me-not and Violet."

Product of an Analytical Mind.

Saskatchewan, July 28, 1908.

Editor.—As it seems to me it is only the first prize and booby letters that are printed, I will try again and look for it in one of these places.

A question I cannot answer is this. Does the correspondence column run solely as a medium for matrimony or pleasure or both?

Along with the rest I read the letters with interest; they show so many natures, characters and arguments. The greatest question seems to be, if a girl or wife should feed pigs and milk cows. Now, this is a topic you can never agree on so why not drop it, forget it? If the wife of a busy man does not want to do such work without being told, or even commanded, she is not worth 50 cents a year on the farm. Is this work so very much worse than anything else? I know girls who do "dirtier" work than that and are better off for it. If man and wife should help each other, why not do the work that falls to hand?

Why are the majority of "contributors" to the columns girls and young ones? Can they find no sympathetic person in their own neighborhood, or are they so lovesick? If the latter be the case, I do not know girls!

And why do the boys and men advertise for wives? Have they not courage enough to speak what they would rather write? If so, they are unfit for even writing. If they cannot get a wife without writing for her, they are unworthy of one at all. How can we expect a girl to marry an unknown man of whom she knows nothing or what little she does know may only be from his letters, and we may be sure that they are elaborate, without arousing suspicion. Would a man do it? I doubt it. But many do it, but it is so small a percentage that it is hardly worth mentioning. But, is not the case the same to the man who marries an unknown girl? It is, eh? O no, not by any distance. The girl, then the wife, is almost tied to her home, but the man is just as free to do what he pleases as in his "blessedness." It is he who molds his wife's existence, whether happy or not. Abandon the idea to get me into a tight corner there, if you don't, write to me. My opinion is, never marry through correspondence. I will look for this in the magazine or the waste basket. "Let the name scare none." Write anybody.

"Dolly Dimple's Darling."

Only An Infant?

Olds, Alta., July 21, 1908.

Editor.—We do not take the Western Home Monthly, but I often get a copy of your valuable paper and am very much interested in it. I always look for the correspondence columns and am much taken up with some of the bachelors' letters.

I see some of the girls have told what they like. Dancing is out of my line of work, but I am very fond of fun.

I am 5 feet 5 inches tall, golden hair, blue eyes, weigh 130 pounds and am 14 years old. I would like to hear from some nice young bachelor, especially "Pitiful Pete," of April number.

I will leave my name and address with the editor. Hoping I have not occupied too much space, I remain

"A Reader."

A Gatherer of Souvenirs.

Davidson, Sask., July 28, 1908.

Editor.—I read your valuable magazine every month. Our neighbors take it. We are soon going to take it ourselves because sometimes we miss it.

I am not on the matrimonial list but would answer any letters from either sex and would like to exchange post cards. "Pitiful Pete," write to me and I will answer promptly.

"Farmer's Man," I answer your description but I don't like you very well, and you see I am gathering souvenir post cards. I don't see how girls can be lonesome up here with so many pretty young fellows around. Wishing your magazine success,

"Marjorie."

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