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humble self; well here goes. I am Scotch, age 24, height 5 feet 7 inches, dark auburn hair and brown eyes, weight 140 pounds, a good housekeeper and neat dresser, fond of skating and dancing. I would like to meet with a nice farmer about 35 or 40 years of age and he must be Scotch or Irish. I don't object to a man who takes a drink once in a while, but would have nothing to do with a drunkard or a man who uses foul language. I might say I was brought up on a farm in the Old Country and have had to earn my own living ever since I have been out here. Now I guess I have said enough for this time for, after all, it may find its way to the waste paper basket. My address will be found with the editor. "Heather."

### Lonely Homesteader Wants Correspondents.

Tisdale, Sask., Feb. 26, 1909.  
Editor.—Although I am not a subscriber to your valuable paper, the W. H. M., I get nearly every copy from a neighbor and take great interest in the correspondence columns, and have at last decided to write and ask if I may join.

I am a lonely young homesteader and come of a good English family. I am 24 years old and am about 5 feet 5 inches in height, but regret to say I am quite deaf, although can talk well. I do not gamble, drink or chew, but always enjoy a pipe now and then. I am a Protestant, Church of England. I am afraid I could not afford to get married just at present but should like to correspond with some pretty and gentle young lady of about my own height and 22 years of age. I should prefer one who has long black or dark brown hair and who can cook and do needlework. I have a good quarter section of land and hope to have a crop next year. My father has been dead nearly 12 years and also I have 3 sisters dead, and the youngest sister is still living in the Old Country with my mother. I have had no brothers. My second sister passed away on June 19th last in Munich, Bavaria; she had been at college in Switzerland and was shortly returning home when she was taken ill just two months before she died. It was a terrible blow to me as I have not seen any of my own people for just 4 years. I feel very lonely on my homestead as I live all alone and often wish I had a dear little wife to cheer me up. If any young lady will condescend to write to me I shall be very pleased to answer her. My name and address will be with the editor. Trusting this is not too long for publication and wishing the W. H. M. every success. "Lonely Homesteader."

### From Sweet Sixteen.

Kenora, Ont., Feb. 15, 1909.  
Editor.—In previously reading several issues of your magazine, the Western Home Monthly, I was much interested, my attention being particularly drawn to the page of correspondence which afforded me many moments of pleasure in the evenings. I have been a student at college for eight years, having studied Latin and German, and have a good literary education. I have also taken a course for Toronto college of music, passing with first class honors. In regard to domestic work, I am far from expert, but yet I think I can do my share in nearly everything. I notice as I read in several of your papers that quite a number of girls object to a man who smokes, chews, drinks, etc. Now for a man who smokes, I do not see any harm in it whatever as it is a great comfort to a hard worker. I see that everybody gives a description of themselves; I will now do the same. I

am a girl of 16, weighing 98 pounds, with dark brown hair, blue eyes and fair complexion. Anybody who wishes to know more about me will kindly correspond. I will leave address with editor, and wishing greatest success to the W. H. M. and hoping the editor will pardon me for taking precious space, I will bring this letter to a close, signing my name "Catheline."

### This One is Fond of Photography.

Alberta, Feb. 10, 1909.  
Editor.—Though not a subscriber to the W. H. M. have become interested in it and especially the correspondence column.

My home, until a few months ago, has been down in sunny Ontario where we did not often see correspondence columns in which there were letters from people who wished to correspond with members of the opposite sex with a view to matrimony.

I very much agree with the young lady (I have forgotten her name) who speaks in the August number of girls writing such foolish letters; "throwing themselves at people's heads," etc. I am of the opinion, though, that much pleasure and knowledge may be gained by corresponding with others in various parts of the globe. I would, therefore, like to correspond with one or two. "Banker," or "Bank Clerk," whose letter appeared in the August numbers if they will write first. I know several bank boys some of whom were very nice.

Part of my life has been spent in the country and part in the town. I must confess that I like city life, though I appreciate the country, too, and consider it a great advantage to a person to begin life on the farm. I am lively, too, and like fun. I have a few handy accomplishments such as music (piano and vocal), dancing, drawing and elocution. Am also fond of photography. Should like to hear from some one interested in pen and ink work, as that is quite a hobby of mine. But I should very much like to ride horseback and be able to swim.

I do not care much about describing myself but it might be as well to say that I am not at all ancient, being just 17, and am of fair complexion.

Hoping to see this letter in print, I shall sign myself, "Just a Kid."

### A Voice from Ontario.

Ontario, Feb. 17, 1909.  
Editor.—Ever since I have been a subscriber to your most excellent journal I have been an interested reader of the correspondence page. Its many letters are sometimes amusing but at times also instructive. This exchange of ideas regarding ourselves and our fellowmen is a good one. We become acquainted with people though probably separated many miles. Our minds also by this means seem to broaden and our sympathies are aroused to the activities and ambitions of our fellowmen. We are as links in a great chain which began in creation and will extend till time is no more, and we should thus manifest an interest in one another. I am also only one of the poor lonely bachelors we hear so much about and we certainly appreciate the sympathy of our lady friends, which does at least sometimes have the effect of melting the hard and stony heart of the timid bachelor. With all the tumbles, sorrows, disappointments and regrets of which bachelors are heir to, I still enjoy myself, though nearing twice twenty and still enjoy my sport with the boys as well as ever. Well, I am giving a description of myself though probably some one in my home town could do so more satisfactorily. I am near the 6 foot mark, good natured,

though not what one would call homely or handsome. I am a teetotaler and a Christian, but have my big, big faults. Though not matrimonially inclined, will be pleased to correspond with ladies between 20 and 30. Wishing your journal every success. My address is with the editor. "Sterling Johnny."

### Ontario Girl Has Her Say.

Ontario, Jan. 20, 1909.  
Editor.—May I come in and have a little talk, too? I am not from the West, but I have a great number of friends and acquaintances in different parts of the western provinces and also in Washington, Nebraska and Montana. I take the greatest pleasure in reading the W. H. M. Its correspondence column is very interesting. Will some of the lonely bachelors and also any other "bachelors" please condescend to waste a few minutes some evening and write to me. I will answer all correspondence, providing it is from respected young gentlemen.

Deceit is one of my pet aversions, so please do not put it in your letters. I liked the letters signed "Challenge," "Happy Lad," and "Sauerkraut Bill," and I would especially be pleased to hear from them.

I will not, like "Bright Eyed Little Birdie," take up too much of your valuable space in describing myself, but hope to see my letter in print.

I will now close, wishing my favorite magazine every success. I will leave my address with our kind editor. "Two Knicker."

### Thinks He's the Whole Cheese.

Fraser River, Jan. 15, 1909.  
Editor.—I have been a subscriber for a long while and I have made up my mind to write as I see the rest of the members are doing the same.

Well, to begin, I live in the part of British Columbia they call the Fraser River Valley, known all over the Dominion for its fruit. I have been over most of British Columbia and think this is the best portion for fruit and general farming purposes.

I guess I had better describe myself before going any further. I stand 5 feet 7 inches, weigh 165 pounds, with a regular B. C. complexion, which is fair with rosy cheeks; am good looking, at least everybody tells me so. I am very fond of dancing and all kinds of sport such as driving a buggy with two or three girls going to a dance or picnic.

I have a nice little farm on the banks of the Fraser River and a team of drivers and buggy, so you see I always stand in pretty good with the girls, especially in the winter when there are a few dances and concerts.

I would like to correspond with some of the girls if they would write first, including "Vangy," "Airy Fairy Lillian," "School Girl," and any others about my own age (22) who care to write. I will now close, hoping to hear from some of the members soon. Wishing the editor success, I will sign as I feel, "A Lone Star."

### Queen Mab Can Shoot.

Paynton, Feb. 1, 1909.  
Editor.—I have been looking for my letter to appear in your W. H. M., having sent one some time ago. But it could not have been suitable, so I will try again. I spend many pleasant hours reading your valuable magazine, not only your correspondence page, but the magazine as a whole; it is certainly a fine paper. Some of the letters are very interesting. I think some of the bachelors have very good ideas, although I don't want them to think I am looking for one yet. When I make



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