

There it fills a long felt need and no one knows this better than those lonesome old bachelors and maids, if I may be allowed to express the term in this off-hand, old-fashioned way.

Of course, I hope you will be able to introduce a few of the young folks as well.

I, for one, would like to correspond with some happy, liberal, modest lass. One who knows enough to find an odd bright spot on the dark side of life, if such should happen to be the case.

I don't wish to correspond with any who are too good to recognize an honest working man. The plain, everyday, happy lass is good enough for me. Although, according to many letters I have noticed of late, a great many of the girls have a better opinion of the average bachelor than he really deserves.

Blue Bell, in the January number, sent in a letter that would make any honest-minded fellow feel as though he were honored. Young English girl seems to be the real goods for a working man. Colleen Bawn is no doubt a good girl, but she had better be careful about those fellows who play with the jug, for I think Alberta's letter rings quite true in this case.

The most of the correspondents seem to be long winded, but as I haven't had time to look up the dictionary to find a lot of big words, and as I am not much of a writer, will have to let her go as she looks this time. Hoping that you may all be happy and successful.

"From Prospector."

Red Head Joins Plough Boy.

Red Deer, Alta., May 22, 1907.

Editor.—In reply to Plough Boy in February, he says no red heads need apply. Well, I don't think that he need worry; no red-headed girls would be silly enough to write to him.

He says she must be willing to live on a farm and help a fellow along. He is a nice sort of fellow, now, isn't he? If he really had any pride and really wanted a girl he should not take her until he has a good comfortable home and a girl in the kitchen, and then he might advertise for a girl if he couldn't get one without it, but it must be a very poor fellow that couldn't get married without advertising—that's my opinion. We have been taking your paper for three or four years and think it very interesting. Will you please publish this for the sake of the Plough Boy.

A Sensible Sort of Girl.

Calgary, Alta., May 23, 1907.

Editor.—I have read with some amusement and interest the letters in your correspondence columns. Possibly some of the marriages brought about through you may be as successful as if they had been the outcome of ordinary social intercourse. I think that a well brought up English girl stands no better chance of marrying well here than she did at home. Canadians prefer wives of their own nationality as a rule. The remittance man, who is always available, is a very uncertain problem; he may turn out all right or he may drink and go to the dogs. There is a class, too, out here which is eligible as far as prosperity goes, but the personal habits of these "gentlemen" are a nightmare to the well-born and refined girl who has been accustomed to eat with people who respect the functions of knife and fork and who are cleanly and refined in person and habits. Personally, I am too fond of my profession to marry for the sake of being married, but, of course, I should be happier in a home of my own—every woman would—with the right man, who, in my case would have to be gentlemanly, honorable and with some definite occupation and an ambition to get on in it. I will not be any man's chore boy, nor do I want to marry a moral or physical derelict such as are only too common out here. My only recommendations are good birth, the finest profession in the world, ordinary looks, youth and health. I do not expect any answers to this, judging by the letters I have seen in your paper (save one), but if any do come I will answer them in the spirit in which they are sent.

"Alice Montrose"

Ready for Business.

Brandon, May 27, 1907.

Editor.—Referring to yours of 1st inst., and mine of 18th, please accept my apologies for writing same to you. I gave the note referred to in mine of 18th to a friend of mine to post to you and enclosed photo and stamps.

Being a reader of your most up-to-date valuable paper, though not a subscriber to same, I have followed all the letters as published in your correspondence page.

Well, to begin with, I have a home-

stead, patent of which I expect to receive this year. Have two cows, 3 horses (worth \$500), 3 roomed house, stable, etc. The only thing I have not got is a wife. Do you think you could give me the address of a young woman from 20 to 24 years of age, dark and good looking, height 5 feet 8 inches and upwards, fairly well educated? I am a Scotchman, 22 years of age, well educated, 5 feet 11 inches in height, and of fair complexion. I intend, if I get married, buying a quarter section of land. I do not smoke or drink.

If you could let me hear from you at your earliest convenience I shall indeed take it as a favor.

"Aleck."

Daisy Will Marry for Love.

Wapella, Sask., May 18, 1907.

Editor.—I have been a reader of The Western Home Monthly for some time and I derive much pleasure and interest from the letters in your correspondence columns. I am a farmer's daughter and therefore take an interest in the young bachelors of the West.

I am 19 years of age, five feet seven and a half inches in height. I am of a dark complexion and have dark brown eyes. I weigh about 145 pounds. I have lived in both the country and city, but I decidedly prefer the former.

I do not wish to correspond with fellows who are not hard to please, for I want them to understand that if I ever marry it's to be for love, and not merely for the sake of a housekeeper. I should very much like to correspond with the gentleman who signs himself "Sandy," Belle Plaine, Sask., and oblige.

"Daisy."

Limber Jim, Put This in Your Pipe.

Manitoba, May 27, 1907.

Editor.—I am an interested reader of your paper, especially the correspondence column, and, looking over your January number, I read a letter which was signed "Limber Jim." I do not agree with him in any way.

I want him to "understand" that there are more girls deceived by men than there are men by girls.

He also says they make love to the fellows and then when some other fellow comes along with a new pair of boots and a starched collar they walk away with him, but this is not the case. It's not the boots and collar, but the character; and, another thing, all girls do not want a horse and buggy to drive around with.

But I guess the one he went with was so disgusted with him that she gave him up, and I don't wonder at her much, for nearly all the men are regular "sots." Again, he says that all girls are alike. Were his sisters like that, and what about his dear old mother?

I must now close, wishing your paper further success.

"Violet."

Got the Necessary Qualifications.

Inga, Alta., June 20, 1907.

Editor.—I am a constant reader of your excellent magazine; although I am not a subscriber, my father is. I also have some friends who are subscribers. I am a young man, 18 years old, 5 ft. 8 in. high, have dark hair and dark eyes. I live on a ranch, and can rope a steer and can handle a six-shooter to perfection; but I think I would be much happier with a companion. I would like to have the address of "Winter Sunshine," of Flndlay, and "Fair Face," of Balcarres. Wishing good luck to your magazine, I remain,

"Inga Cow Boy."

Hetty Would Marry a Farmer.

Wawanesa, Man., May 31, 1907.

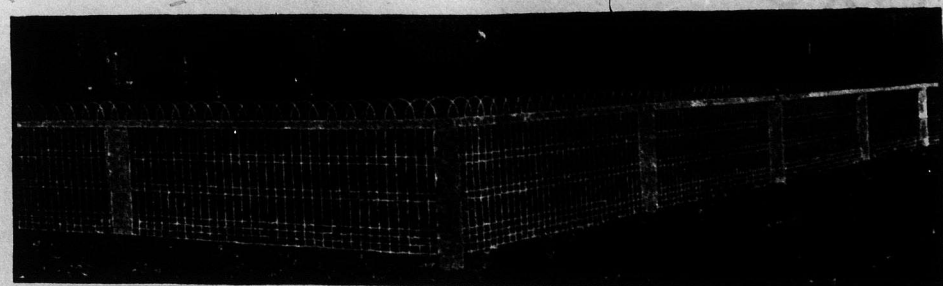
Editor.—I have been a reader of your paper, the W. H. M., for a few months, and I am a young lady of 22 years of age and will be much obliged if you will put me in correspondence with a farmer, but not one who chews or expects me to do a chore boy's work. I am 125 pounds in weight, 5 feet 6 inches in height, fair complexion; have a very good education and can play the banjo and piano. I have not been long out from the Old Country, thinking better of Canada. I have worked on the farm as housekeeper, and I know what the farmers expect of me, to milk cows and feed pigs, so I left my place. I have won prizes for cooking. Any young farmer wishing to correspond with me with a view to marriage, I will gladly answer their letters.

"Hetty."

Rather Nice Letter.

Ontario, June 27, 1907.

Editor.—May I join your charming circle? I am one of your Eastern admirers, and your magazine is a very welcome monthly visitor here. The letters are both amusing and interesting, especially so to an eastern girl, not in search of a western home. I think but few men would respect a girl, who commenced a correspondence with them in the hope one would invite her to marry him. Let us have all the fun possible, but let us not forget the dignity of



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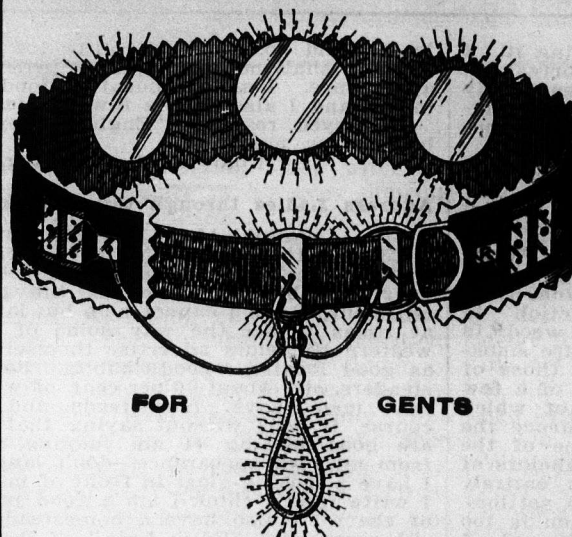
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