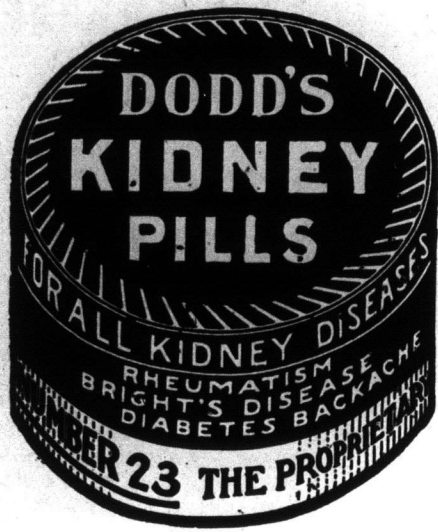


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Champions the Returned Men

Dear Editor:

May I come again? Have just been reading over some of the letters in your last issue; some of them are very interesting. In reply to Capt. G.'s inquiry, would say that dancing has played a very small part in the lives of the Canadian people during the past four years. However, I do not agree with some of those modest critics who would blush to "have a man put his arm around them." I wonder if they ever shake hands with a man? If so, I am surprised at their lack of modesty. The very idea of allowing a man to hold hands with them.

There has been a lot said about dancing in war time. For my part, I always felt like saying: "Dance while you may; another day will bring enough of sorrow." Surely there is no need of meeting sorrow half-way. It comes to all of us soon enough. But, really, dancing is such a little thing; can we not find some bigger subjects to discuss?

I think that one of the biggest problems of the day is that of the returning soldier. What are we going to do to help these men to get back to civil life again? I think that many people are too much inclined to "baby" the returned man. These men are returning bigger and broader men than when they went away. They see life from a different view. They do not want to be patted on the back and told they were "good little boys" to go and fight the Hun, while we stayed at home and had a good time. This will not go far towards helping them to get a job or to bring in a living. The "Boys" do not want charity; they know what their rights are, and all they ask is a square deal. It's up to us to see that they get it, for if we don't, they will. I am not soliciting votes, so will not go into detail as to how we can accomplish this.

Another great problem is that of Prohibition. Being a girl, I shudder at the thought of liquor coming back to this fair Dominion of ours. Yet I realize that it is going to be a hard fight, and it will be fought to a finish before very long, so let us be up and doing. I would like to see some discussion on this subject. Wishing The Western Home Monthly every success.
Soldier's Sister.

The First Attempt

Dear Editor: I have been getting The Western Home Monthly for quite a few months now, and like the magazine very well. I also like reading the letters in the correspondence page. I think it is a great thing for the young people to correspond with one another. I think that "Daughter of Oden's" letter is very good and true, and I agree with all she says. I live on a farm and like the farm life very well. There is lots of work to do to keep you out of mischief. The work and the pure, clean air makes you strong and healthy, and gives you a hearty appetite. I like dumb animals very much, especially horses. I think riding horseback is great, that is if you have a good goer. As this is my first letter to the magazine I will not write any more just now; so I will close wishing The Western Home Monthly and its readers every success. I will sign myself
Mutt.

P.S.—My address is with the Editor if anyone cares to write.

The Philosophy of a Schoolma'am

Dear Editor: Many a time and oft have I contemplated writing to your very interesting column but have never before mustered enough courage and time together. I am one of those creatures called a schoolma'am in the wild and woolly west. To make matters worse I have red hair and the accompanying temper and freckles, and was born in auld Scotland. With such a pedigree don't you pity my poor little hopes. At present my school is closed because of the "flu" so I am a person of great leisure. I am hugely enjoying the rest, but it is with horror I think of the work piling up. Well, "Chips," I really would like to give you my opinion on the ideal marriage question you present, but having had no experience on the matter I do not feel quite qualified. Personally I can't see that it makes much difference what

color the hair is because the man grows bald and the woman grey in a few years anyway. I sympathise with "Seventeen," for I am one of those only children, too, but, of course, I am not spoiled. I cannot sing so I express my feelings by talking instead. I am fond of music, and sports also the debated dancing and reading. The latter is my hobby. Books are my brothers and sisters. I would like if some fair or dark customers of from 18 to 25 years or so would write, but please write first. I will sign myself
Bashful Eighteen.

A Jolly Pair

Dear Editor: Giddap! Whoa! Haw! Gee! Hi Imp, pull that rein tighter, easy round the corner. There! well, here we are at last. Just dropped in for a few minutes from Idyle Wyld. We feel so cold and tired, wonder if we would be allowed to sit around your cheery fireside and have a little chat. You will wonder what on earth has come rushing into your peaceful family circle in such a flurry. So I guess we must explain our intrusion to gain permission to enter. Just imagine two happy-go-lucky ranch girls still in their teens enjoying life's ups and downs, always smiling to be in style. Probably some would describe it as a ten cent grin. We're especially fond of outdoor life and all kinds of amusement, (mischief, oh, wow!). What harm can be done in dancing? None at all! It's the harm people make out of it for themselves, as there is good and bad in almost everything, and as for overalls they are the pure whack for farm girls. We feel perfectly at home toggled up in overalls or boy's clothes, romping around doing the various duties of farm life. There's nothing like them. Hurrah for overalls! Our stay will have to be brief this time till we see what kind of an impression we make on the readers, and how many nice correspondents we gain. We will call again when these frisky colts get broken in to stand still a few minutes. Giddap! Away we go. So long, everybody.
Two Idyle Wyld Imps.

Interested in Canada

Dear Editor: I have been a reader of your Western Home Monthly for some time, and have taken great interest in the correspondence column, my brother having sent the magazine regularly to me from Canada. I am greatly interested in Canada and should like to correspond with some of your readers and learn a little about city and country life in Canada. Before I conclude this letter I would like to mention that I am an English girl, early in years, and as regards looks, well, would pass in a crowd. I am fond of all sports and enjoy the open air. If any of your readers would care to write they will find my address with the Editor.
English Violet.

An Accomplished Farm Girl

Dear Editor and Readers: I have taken The Western Home Monthly for a few months only, but now am sending in a year's subscription. I like reading the correspondence page. I live on a farm three miles from town. I milk nine cows night and morning. We have eight horses, seven calves and about thirty young chicks. Last summer my sister and I stooked about seventy-five acres of grain. I disked six acres of land with a tractor. We have one hundred and ten acres of wheat in now, and I expect to spend next winter in the Agricultural College. I agree with "Daughter of Oden." She surely must have lived on a farm for she seems to know what farm work is. I am eighteen years old and five feet seven inches in height, brown hair and blue eyes. I am fond of horseback riding, skating and best of all, dancing. I can play the piano a little and am taking lessons. We have a consolidated Sunday School in our town. My sister and I go every Sunday. There are about two hundred in attendance, and most of the teachers are day school teachers, too. Now I will close as my letter is getting long.
A Lover of Music.

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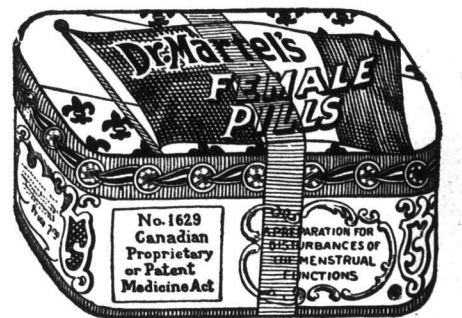
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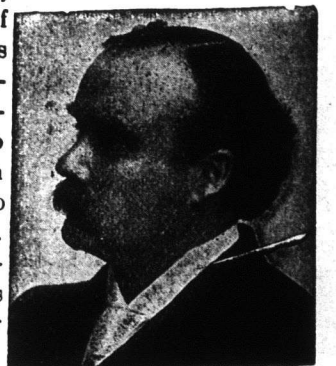
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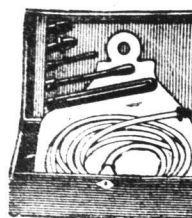
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