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less amusement; that is, if some of the writers are not too serious.

I am not writing with the idea of matrimony, but simply to gain a few correspondents as I live in a very secluded place, therefore have plenty of time to answer all letters received.

I will give a brief description of myself. Am a girl of 16 years, have hazel eyes, brown hair and am about 5 feet tall. I would like correspondents, preferably young men about 18; also like to have among them train men. Will exchange pictures with anyone writing me. My address is with the editor.

"Molly Carew."

Born in Manitoba, Therefore Useful?

Moore Park, Oct. 20, 1908.

Editor.—Being a reader of the W. H. M. I am naturally interested in the correspondence columns, but merely from a friendly point of view, as some of the letters amuse me very much and I should love to know the writers personally.

We Canadian girls admire the young homesteaders. They are the pillars of our country, or at least have it in their power to be, if they live right and vote right—in short, be manly men.

I love to read Ralph Connor's books describing the wild, free life of the foothills and Selkirk. Every homesteader should have a "library" of good helpful books; they are better companions than tobacco, smoke, liquor and cigarettes, which are their worst enemies.

The old saying is, that self-praise is no recommendation, so you "curious" boys and girls will have to be contented with knowing that I am out of my teens and about seven years from thirty, with one wisdom tooth, dark brown eyes and hair to match, 5 feet 5 inches tall, 118 pounds, never stopped a clock or broke a camera, born in Manitoba, so know how to be useful.

Purely friendly letters are all that will be answered. Address with the editor. Thanking the editor in anticipation of seeing this in print.

"Modest Pansy Saucebox."

Lonely English Mabel.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 25, 1908.

Editor.—I am not a subscriber but have been a reader for some time. Some of the letters seem very sensible, especially from the older men. They describe more what they can give and wish to make a woman happy, and not what they expect from a wife so much. I think consideration and kindness appeals to most women far more than the almighty dollar, at least it does to me. I am not an angel, only an ordinary English woman, aged 28, good cook and housekeeper, and would do my best to make a home comfortable.

I have been out here nearly a year and find it very lonely. Should any Englishman (a gentleman in every sense of the word), between 28 and 40, care to write I shall be pleased to hear from him. I don't mind how plain if he has brains (not having any myself), and a real good sort. No one who is a crank or drinks need answer, though he is quite welcome to smoke. I think chewing a most exasperating habit. Everything artistic appeals to me so would like some one of the same temperament. I am tall and fair, and can pass very well in a crowd. I should like to hear from someone living in the Okanagan district, Kelowna, etc.

"Lonely Mabel."

A Lonely Widow at 24.

Saskatchewan, Oct. 28, 1908.

Editor.—Although not a subscriber to your paper, I have the pleasure of reading it from a friend who gets it. I like reading the correspondence page, some of the letters are very amusing.

I thought I would write to pass a lonely hour away. I pity the poor bachelors out here who have no one to talk to when they come in from a day's work; it certainly must be lonesome for I am lonesome as I have not been out here from the east very long.

I am 24 years old, 5 feet 6 inches tall, and weigh 144 pounds. I would like to get a letter from the fellow who calls himself "White Pine" in your January number, or any one wishing to write. I will answer all letters with pleasure. Hoping to see this in print and wishing your paper every success.

"A Lonely Widow."

Would Not Marry Solely for a Home.

Manitoba, Oct. 12, 1908.

Editor.—With great interest have I been reading for the past few months the valuable and edifying columns of your worthy magazine. Though intensely interesting throughout, I think the correspondence columns of your paper hold for the young people a greater attraction than is elsewhere to be found. I think it only right that by some means the young people be brought more in touch with one another and I know of no better way than through the columns of your magazine.

Strange it seems to me that matrimony should be the chief topic, however, I suppose since others are giving their opinion I am entitled to give mine. I really do not approve of striking right out with a motive of "catching something in some way be it great or small." Of course, it is quite pos-

sible, perhaps even probable, that the outcome of some of the acquaintances thus brought about will be matrimony, but be that as it may, I can not see how anyone could expect to live in peace and happiness with one whose only motive in marrying was to have a home and someone to care for them, and surely we are running a great risk when we seek a partner in this way. Considering the capriciousness of humans, are we not taking a leap in the dark any way? However, I do not expect all others to see as I do, but it is well to weigh the matter carefully and regard it as a most sacred transaction, worthy of at least a second consideration.

As regards the use of tobacco and liquor, many and various seem to be the opinions expressed. The latter I thoroughly denounce, not looking on it with any possible degree of allowance. As for the tobacco, I also abhor the use of it but can as readily excuse a young man for the temperate use of tobacco as a young lady for chewing gum.

A description is hardly necessary as few may care to know me further. However, I would say that I am 20 years old, over 5 feet tall, and as for beauty you may call and see for yourself. Please forward enclosed letter to "Bank Clerk," B. C. Thanking you for your space I will leave my address with the editor.

"Ameretta."

Two Canadian Roses.

Victoria, Oct. 21, 1908.

Editor.—We have been enthusiastic readers of your valuable paper for some time and enjoy reading the correspondence column very much, and thought we would like to write. We certainly feel sorry for some of the poor bachelors who cannot find a helpmate, but are quite sure if they were to come further West they would find young ladies as thick as peas in a pod.

We will now endeavor to tell you who we are and where we live. In the first place, we are two old maids. One is 20 years of age, 5 feet 7 1/2 inches tall and weighs 154 pounds. The other is 21 years of age, 5 feet 3 inches tall and weighs 111 pounds. We are both fair with blue eyes, and, of course, very good looking. We are also very musical and enjoy a good time. We live in the city of Victoria, you no doubt have heard of it before this.

If any lonely bachelors would care to correspond with us for a pastime they will find our addresses with the editor. Hoping this will escape the waste paper basket, and wishing the magazine every success.

"Canadian Roses."

Homestead and Boom for Two.

Glenview P. O., Alta., Oct. 15, 1908.

Editor.—I am a subscriber and interested reader of your first-class paper and intend to make use of your correspondence columns as I am tired of batching. I am Irish, so not a beauty, but would pass in a crowd; 6 feet tall, weigh 150 pounds, 21 years old and dark hair, do not drink or chew tobacco or the rag in any form. I have a well improved homestead where there is room for two. I hope to hear from some of your girl readers shortly as I don't intend to wait long.

"Tipperary."

A Sensible Letter.

Saskatchewan, Oct. 22, 1908.

Editor.—Here is another bachelor asking for just enough space for a few lines in your ever interesting paper. I have been a very interested reader for some time, but it is quite recently that your paper has become a monthly visitor in our shack. The short stories alone form a very pleasant pastime to its numerous readers and one only needs to look over the correspondence columns to know just how interesting and popular that part of your paper has become.

The matrimonial question is being dealt with most fully in these columns. Some of the letters are of my opinion while others differ greatly. I think "Alexy Ann's" letter was very good. "Lalla Rookh" thinks it would not be ladlike for her to write first. I do not think it would be out of the way and I would like very much to hear from her and would answer promptly.

A number of the bachelors are describing the girls that they would want for a life partner. I do not think that she should be asked to do any outside work unless it was a case of necessity, which is sometimes the case. I think the girl has sufficient to do who would keep the house neat and tidy as well as herself and greet you with a smile when you came in for your meals, even though you were a little late. One who could enjoy an hour in the afternoon at fancy work or in reading a book that contains good sound reading or at the piano if she cared for it. I think when one sits down to a good meal of well prepared victuals, in a neat and well kept house, that he will consider she has earned at least a few moments' recreation in the afternoon, and would not allow her to put that time in by doing work that he ought to do.

Mr. Editor, yours must be a trying position, reading all the correspondence and selecting the ones most suitable to print. A great many of the letters I am sure will be hard to read as

many of we bachelors have not had the chance to be good at spelling and with the pen.

In closing I will give a description of myself as I see it is customary. I am a Canadian, 5 feet, 10 inches in height, dark brown hair, and weigh 160 pounds. Like many of my brother bachelors, I enjoy a smoke, although I am not by any means a slave to the habit. I would like to correspond with some of the young ladies from 18 to my own age, 22, and will be sure to answer.

Would "Rosalyne" of Zealandia write or your correspondent from Logan-town, Sask. My address will be with the editor. Hoping that this may miss the waste basket, I am, and will be for some time,

"Cingalee"

Lone Widow Throws Out Line.

Bratnaive, Ont., Oct. 22, 1908.

Editor.—As my brother subscribed for the W. H. M. last winter I have been reading the letters in the correspondence column with much interest. I think that some write very sensible letters, but I don't agree with girls who don't like to do chores. I think milking cows and feeding pigs is all right when the men are busy or away. I would ward enclosed letter to "Huskey," like "Lonely" to write to me. Please for-Guernsey, Sask. I will not take more of your valuable space.

"A Lonely Widow."

Catholics Not Wanted.

Saskatchewan, Oct. 20, 1908.

Editor.—As I am a constant reader of your valuable magazine I thought I would write a short letter to be published. I may say that the sort of a wife I would prefer would be a good smart cook and not over 26 years, not too hasty in temper and would be willing and be satisfied to live on a farm in Saskatchewan as I am one of those bachelor farmers. I think when a man gets married that he should be good to his wife and, of course, I certainly expect her to be kind also. I will answer all letters I receive promptly. No Catholics need write as I am Protestant, Presbyterian, but any good protestant girl I will be pleased to hear from so don't be afraid to write first. I am 26 years of age, sandy complexion, weigh 165 pounds, but won't say anything about looks. I am going to hunt up some photos when the girls write. I have a half section of land, 6 horses and 20 head of cattle. Hoping to hear from some of the fair sex and wishing your magazine unlimited success, I will sign

"F. H. C."

"Blue Eyes" From Ontario.

Springvale, Ont., Oct. 24, 1908.

Editor.—As I have been a constant reader of your valuable paper for some time, and especially of the correspondence columns, I thought I would join your writers.

I live on a farm. I am very fond of all outdoor games. I do not dance but I play the organ and piano. I am sweet sixteen, am 5 feet 8 inches tall, weigh 125 pounds, have blue eyes and light hair, and have never heard anyone say I was homely. I am not thinking of marrying yet but when I do my husband must not use strong drink or tobacco in any form. Would like to correspond with any boy or girl between 16 and 20 years old. My address is with the editor. Hoping to see this in print and thanking you for this space, I am

"Blue Eyes."

A Strawberry in October.

Alberta, Oct. 24, 1908.

Editor.—I will try and send another letter and see if this one will be published, hoping you will accept my most sincere thanks for the letters you have forwarded me. I think your correspondence columns are some of the most important parts of your valuable paper, which I think is a perfect success.

I suppose that my letter will not be concluded before I give my opinion of the boys and that is, I do not agree with all, especially "A Juggler," who is always crowing "write, girls, I am dear." I wonder what he can be thinking of us. I am of the description he wants, but if he waits for my letter as the first, he has time to dream about it yet. I shall now close, wishing you and your correspondents success.

"The Strawberry"

A Letter from a Christian Young Man.

Alberta, Oct. 17th, 1908.

Editor.—It is with great interest that I have looked for each monthly issue of your paper. I think it is one of the best home papers in Canada for all the inmates of a home. The stories are of a pleasing nature and the pages that take up are well worth the subscription price, to say nothing about the pages of interesting correspondence from young people all over the fair Dominion of ours and also the old land and our cousins over the line.

There is one thing that pleased me in the August number of the W. H. M. and that was the number of Christian young ladies who have come forward in response to a letter like that of "Bank Clerk's." I had noticed that they had satisfied themselves before by saying that correspondents must be abstainers.