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Well, I guess I have written enough, if not too much, so will close, wishing the Editor and every one a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

From your new friend, "Alfred the Second."

The Canadian's Wife

Calgary, Alta., Nov. 18, 1914. Dear Editor—I read Freda's letter with great interest; what she says about the men is largely true. Canadian men seem still to have a very old-fashioned idea of the uses of a wife. This is what a Canadian man said to me the other day: "I can cook better than many girls. I can even darn my socks. I don't need a wife." No. He certainly doesn't, if that's all he wants her for. Well, perhaps I have not been long enough in this country to judge and am still too "English" and too much of a greenhorn. (By the way, I find to be English is considered almost as much a capital crime in these days and in this country as to be German.) Talking of greenhorns, let me tell you some of my experiences. I was born in this country, but left it as a tiny child and lived in the Old Country. My brothers and sisters remained in Canada. I came back a little while ago and the first thing I wanted to learn was to ride. My brother put me on a horse, told me to dig my heels into its sides if I wanted to make it go and to hang on to the horn if I was afraid of falling. And then I went out on the prairie alone. I shall never forget that ride nor the "day after". I felt like the little boy in the song who "couldn't sit down for more than a week, when I was a boy at school." I remember the first time I tried to unsaddle; it all seemed a hopeless confusion of buckles and straps; and of course, I undid all the wrong buckles. And then that cinch! I imagined that it was just loosened. I had no idea the strap came out of the ring altogether, and I did not see why everybody was so amused when I came into the house and said I did not know whether the saddle pulled off over the horse's head or his tail. But I have learned better now. My brothers and sister tell me there is some hope for for me, although I am so "beastly English, don't you know." I should like to correspond with any men or girls who have

been in the same boat with me. Greenhorn

Canadians at the Front Saskatchewan, Nov. 17, 1914. The Western Home Monthly, Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Editor-If you will permit it, I should be pleased to join your circle of "criticism." Before saying my say allow me to congratulate you on the way the Western Home Monthly has improved since 1903. I am not sure if you are the same editor as then, but your October issue is O.K. I intend to lay mine away for future reference when sad memories recall visions of our Canadian Boys.

I don't agree with "Conetta" if the bachelors she refers to as having lots of time are homesteaders; it's the city ones who have "time to burn." I am batching it and after looking after fifteen head of stock and cooking, there's not much time

for taking the rust out of one's brains.

I say "Freda," do you take those spasms often? I hope not. Say, in regard to that maid of 50 with one thousand dollars, perhaps those "male elements" were in the clutch of some loan shark and intended to "kill two birds with a single stone:" pay the debt and get a nice, loving wife. Were you sitting at the window watching and wishing someone would trot up your verandah steps? Well, now, "High School Kid," you must be some cook. Say, I have been a judge of cook-

ing all my life—that's my business. Just send some of your pies along, I will judge them and award the prizes accordingly.

I saw in the papers a few days ago, the King and Queen, Lord Kitcher and Lord Roberts visited the "Boys" at Salisbury Plains. They thought they were the finest body of men ever gathered together. I say: "Hurrah for our Canadian climate!" I wonder if the Royal Party thought or imagined the homes these "boys" came from. We all know it is impossible to grow good wheat from poor seed. I guess

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the King paid as great a tribute to the mothers of those boys as to them. I think I had better close my "say" as I see the editor frowning, I would like correspondents. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. I beg to remain, Grousenheimer.

Some Useful Hints

Delano, Alta., Nov. 22nd, 1914. Dear Editor-As this is the first time I have taken the privilege of using your correspondence columns, I hope you will find me a small space in that interesting

part of your paper.

I have now been taking the W.H.M. for some time. It appears to me that some of the fair correspondents seem to think that no bachelors can get along without them, but I guess they have another thought coming. As I am a bachelor living on my homestead in southern Alberta and been batching for the last four years, guess I ought to know something about it and should any one care to write I could give a few useful hints with regard to household duties. I quite agree with "Handy Sue" when she says that a strong mind and a stout heart will win in the end but I am afraid that the "day" will be a long time coming unless some of the East-

ern girls get busy and hike for the West. Should any one care to correspond, l will try to answer all letters. My address is with the editor,

Yours sincerely. Hotcake Pete P. S. - Would "Handy Sue" please

Pioneering in the West

write?

Saskatchewan, Nov. 21st, 1914. Dear Editor-I have been an interested reader of this column for some time now. but have just picked up courage enough to

My attention was drawn by "Just a Girl's" letter in the November issue. About woman homesteaders and the life being too rough for them, especially un-married women: well, (1) I do believe in homesteads for women, because women should have equal rights with men, and (2) they have just as rough work any time on the farm, if they will do it, which sometimes they have to. Experience is the best teacher and I remember something about pioneering when we came west. (3) Why should it be harder for unmarried women to homestead than for married women? "Just a Girl" please tell me

Say, I think "Votes for Women's" letter was just great. Well, I was just thinking of a few hints as to cooking, but am afraid it would take a little too long, but when you make bread, never forget to put

yeast cake and flour in it. Savy?
And "Aura Lee," I think "Manitoba Pearl" is just right about the bachelors I have seen a great many of them, but I WILL TELL YOU FREE HOW TO have failed to see all those heart-broken poor, hard-worked creatures the Eastern people seem to think them, and the poem in the November number, written to "Aura Lee" is perfectly true. I can and will, some other time, just state a few more true facts about the West. I shall not take up any more of yur time now. I am,

Yours sincerely, Scotch Lassie.

#### The Women We are Afraid Of

"I don't think I'm dull or stupid, but I am frightfully lonely. I wonder why it is I make no real friends." I heard a girl say the other day at the end of a tirade against the behaviour of neighbours, and the dullness of her life.

"We are all afraid of you, my dear," answered the woman she was talking to. "No one can hear you talk without knowing how critical you are, and how apt your tongue is at pointing out shortcomings. Our only chance of escape is

to keep out of your way."

"Anyway, that's better than being dull," said the girl.

"Is it? I'm not sure it is," was the

"Those unkind things you say answer. are very witty, I know. Perhaps that is why they rankle so, and make us afraid it will be our turn next. You seem to regard your acquaintances as mere pegs on which to hang your jokes, and I am afraid none of us like being

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