

Correspondence

This month we submit another grist of letters received from readers interested in the matrimonial question. It is another evidence that our bachelor readers are not losing interest in this department. We are pleased to be of service to our readers and so long as they wish us to continue this correspondence feature and show interest in what we are doing for them in this respect, just so long will we continue this feature. If you desire to form the acquaintance of any lady writer writing in the correspondence columns of this magazine, address the Western Home Monthly, enclosing in a sealed envelope with stamp attached, letter intended for such writer as you may designate and we will forward it through the mail to the party intended for. When writing us, please give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of good faith.

A Frank Letter.

Earling, Alta., Feb. 11, 1909.  
 Editor.—With much pleasure I have seized the W. H. M. for the past few months and eagerly perused each line of a certain varying number of columns entitled "Correspondence," but being of a very shy disposition (at times), I have, I am afraid, wasted much valuable time, but I hope it is not too late for me to become a member. No need to fear, boys, even if Leap Year is not quite up! This is just one more addition to the bachelor maids' corner and this one addition is so meek that she has been for many past weeks—nay, months,—struggling to overcome her shyness and come forward and give a description of herself. But descriptions are not in my line. They must be truthful, I fear. Now, boys, will it suffice if I say that I am not nearly on the border-line between twenty and thirty, am tall (not too tall), dark, and rather slight, and—no, I will not say that I am beautiful. I never was conceited enough even to say that and am not going to try now to pass it off slyly on paper, but I will say that the other members of my family are considered handsome. Will that do, boys?  
 Nor am I going to spin off all my accomplishments here for the eyes of the public. Will it not be quite sufficient if I say that once for one whole summer I kept house with a rather peevish aunt and never heard her grumble against my neatness, cooking, piano-playing—but here, I said I would not spin off my accomplishments.  
 I have not yet hung out any "For sale" posters nor do I intend to, but should any young gentleman—what do you say to this, "Handy Andy"?—think that he might be able to derive some pleasure out of correspondence with me, why, all I have to say is that I should take very much pleasure indeed in answering his letters.  
 "Geranium."

A Chance for the Irish.

Strathcona, Alta., Feb. 15, 1909.  
 Editor.—I have read with interest from time to time your most interesting magazine and think your correspondence department takes the cake for amusement as well as sensibility and is well worth the price. I get the use of a cousin's copy but when I go home I intend to add my name to your list. I am one of the lonely ones out here in this great West of ours. If I only had a better half I think things would go champion, as one can not do much on a claim if they have to undertake household duties as well as their own. I have fifty acres broken in a good prairie country, have good comfortable house and barn, also well sunk. Ours is a well settled district with good neighbors all around; all we lack is some of the fair sex to liven it up a bit.

I will give a description of myself, so if any young lady wishes to correspond I shall be only too glad to answer any and all letters, and maybe I shall have luck as to a future helpmate. I am 32 years old, 5 feet 11 inches tall, weigh 165 pounds, have blue eyes and fair hair. I am very fond of music and do a bit of singing and enjoy a good dance or anything else that makes life light and agreeable.  
 "A Dublin Boy."

Must Be Scotch or Irish.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 2, 1909.  
 Editor.—I have been an interested reader of your magazine for the past four years, and now I would like to try my luck in the correspondence column. I have written to you before, but I guess my poor letter found its way to the waste paper basket.  
 I guess I had better describe my

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