

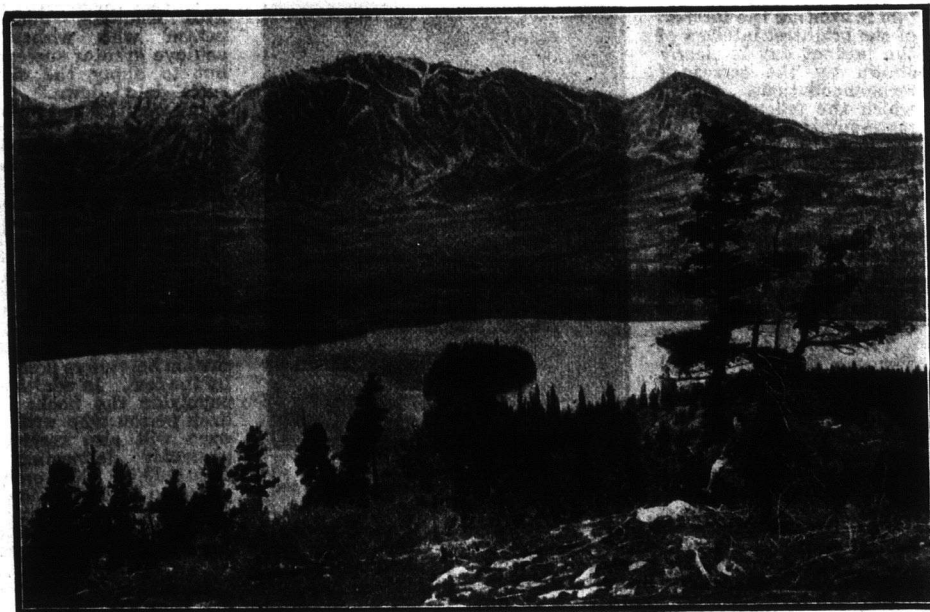
be the L.U.B.A. club (Let Us Be Acquainted), as there are many acquaintances made through this column. I have made a few myself, and hope to make more. It is not only a jolly pastime, but one learns of places they otherwise would know nothing of. It is a good plan to discuss different topics. As to Poverty v. Prosperity, I think it is better to make the home first, then marry. If true love exists on both sides, the waiting will be blissful, and there will be no danger of either one being captured by another. I would like to shake hands with "Crank," "A Scotch Lassie," "Jack," and several others. Should this appear in print I would be pleased to hear from any of the Western Home Monthly readers.

Arabella.

Is Marriage a Failure?

Alberta, March 17, 1913.

Dear Editor: If you could spare me a few lines in your interesting column I would like to take up the affirmative side of the debate, viz., "Is Marriage a Failure," introduced by "Brightside" in the March issue. From his letter I take it, the point at issue is "Is the legal binding for life by marriage a success or a failure?" Right here I may say, a contract such as marriage usually formed after an acquaintance of, say, two years, must invariably lead to disappointment or discontent later. Let us look at it in the cold light, as a business transaction. If one party is energetic, the other draws his or her inspiration from that party, but they can never mount higher than the inspirations of the energetic party, consequently nothing is gained.



Pyramid Lake, Alberta.

On the other hand, if one party is a drag on the other, then it holds the other back, which must eventually mean partial or total failure. Take, for instance, the city bred school teacher who marries the young farmer. This young lady might some day have been a light in her profession, but as a farmer's wife she is a failure, unless she understands farm life, and the task before her is apt to sour both her and her husband's life. Take the young professional or business man from the city who marries the country girl. True, she makes a good housekeeper, but what he needs is somebody who will help, not hinder him, climb the social ladder. Even if these young men marry among their own class, is it not often too true that their wives, instead of being helpmates through social aspirations or jealousy, lead them to live beyond their means; which eventually results in failure, or, worse, the wrecking of their character? Do we not also see young energetic women married to men who are little better than beasts, and these same young women having become disgusted with their husbands obtain separation or sink into the lowest depths of degradation? These cases might be called exceptions, but is it not true that there are a great many of them? How then can marriage be called a success when it leads to such results? But let us look at the mutually happy couple, these form probably the largest percentage. Do they draw any material benefit? May be they do, but does not the world lose by it? These two people who are contented in their own companion-

ship, are they not liable to forget their friends in need, their duty to others, charities, etc., also does not this same sense of contentment lead to the abandonment of aims that would have benefited others? Let us consider the quotation our friend makes in his letter, that is about the view of the "lords of creation." With his remark after it I heartily agree, nor is the reason hard to find. In all the civilized countries we find that women are gradually filling men's places; this tends to increase freedom of action and thought. They are no longer forced to look to men for their means of living in their mature years. While this is undoubtedly a blessing in many ways, especially to those unlucky ones who would be doomed to a single existence, is it not apt to lead to loveless marriages, and consequently failures, by the crowding out of sentiment by commercialism? The little incident of the chum bachelors is amusing, and might be convincing if it were not that Jack in these advanced days might have had the same work done cheaper by mechanism, and he would not have to put up with sauce or a cuff across the ear if he grumbled. Before I close I would like to say there are a great many points I would like to have touched upon. However, I would advise all young people to seriously consider the matter before taking the final plunge, unless you have a few thousand to buy a divorce with.

A Confirmed Bachelor.

Wants Correspondents

Winnipeg, March, 1913.

Dear Editor: I have only just had your paper brought under my notice, and I think it is just splendid. I like the

correspondence column. I think it is a good idea. I am an English girl. I have been in this country seventeen months, and I simply love Canadian life. I am very musical, indeed I belong to that profession. I am supposed to be a great cook, and I am fond of outdoor life. Now, do hurry up and write to me, and I will answer promptly.

Girlie.

Fond of Sports

Kinistino, Sask., March, 1913

Dear Editor: I have been a silent reader of your paper for a short time only, and take much interest out of the correspondence columns. I also take a good deal of interest in the card and dancing arguments. I don't see any harm in either habits. Well, may be that is because I indulge in both myself. But up in this little burg the skating has done away with dancing for the last two winters; as for myself I would rather skate than dance. I get out with the boys and play a little hockey, baseball, football and tennis. When the shooting season opens I go out with my gun and have a good time. There is not very much fishing done here, because we have to go so far before we can get any. Well, I guess I will bring my letter to a close. I am eighteen years old, I smoke, but would rather die than chew, or drink intoxicating liquor. Will be glad to hear from any Western Home Monthly correspondents. My address is with the editor. Thanking you in advance, I will sign myself

Johnny on the Spot.

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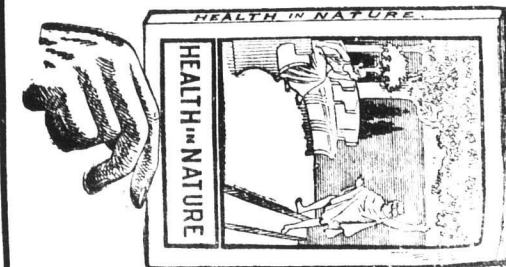
waist. It produces a great volume of a force that I term Vitality, and it sends this force into your nerves and blood hour after hour all night while you sleep. There is no shock, but merely a pleasant, warm, soothing sensation which induces a sound refreshing sleep. Weak back often disappears at once, and a better feeling is immediately experienced. Two or three months' wear is usually sufficient to restore lost strength. The cost is nominal. With special attachments, my HEALTH BELT is used by women as well as men for rheumatism, kidney, liver, stomach, bladder disorders, etc. My 86-page illustrated book for men, aside from its general advice, fully explains the new, drugless method for restoring strength which is referred to above. Write for free copy to-day. Please use coupon below. If living near by call in person and have a free demonstration of the treatment.

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