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## Correspondence

Note—Readers desiring to form the acquaintance of any contributor to these columns are requested to enclose us a letter with stamp thereon and we will put the proper address on it and mail it to the person so designated. Owing to the increase in contributions to our Correspondence Columns a number of letters intended for publication this month are held over and will appear in our July number.

The interest in the discussion in these columns is on the increase. During the past month we have exchanged letters, and re-addressed them to the number of about ten letters a day on an average.

We are willing to assist readers of both sexes in forming each others acquaintance. The time and expense incurred in handling this correspondence from readers is considerable but we are prepared to do our part to assist the young men and young women of this vast country to form each others acquaintance.

Send on your contributions to these columns, we are prepared to do our part in your interest. All letters must be signed by the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of good faith. All contributions treated strictly confidential.

### A Sensible Letter.

Brandon, May 23rd, 1906.

Editor:—I am a constant reader of your excellent magazine and have followed with much interest your correspondence column. As it is the bachelor and marriage question that is on for discussion I think I will have a little say on the subject. Your February number contained several letters from bachelors who appear to be somewhat indignant at some of the girl correspondents for writing as they have done about the faults of the bachelors. Well in my circle of bachelor acquaintances there are quite a number who do not touch liquor or tobacco and are good moral living industrious young men well worthy of a good wife. There are others again who make lots of money but spend it foolishly in many ways; which makes them anything but fit companions for a good woman. There are others I know, who make plenty of money, live morally good lives, but they are of a miserly hum drum sort. They seem to think that girls never want any of the many little treats or pastimes that help to make life pleasant. They seem to think that a woman should be content to live in any sort of an old shack for a house, to work away from morning till night the whole year round,

without any holidays or trips or company, and many other little pleasures which are dear to most women. They think that just so long as she has what they term a man she ought to be satisfied. What surprises me most often is how more of those men get good wives than those who are more deserving of a good wife. I like the way Vacuum in a recent number expresses himself.

He says he wants a wife, not a servant or a housekeeper; if more of the men thought of the women as he does, there would be fewer bachelors and more happy homes in this western country of ours. Of course it is very fine and nice for a girl to step into a home where there is lots of money to do as she pleases with. I think any man who lives a good moral industrious life and does not touch liquor or tobacco is worthy of a good wife.

"Mother's Girl."

### Writes in behalf of the Women.

Crowfoot, Alta, May 11th, 1906.

Editor:—In reading your magazine I notice a letter from Lauder, Man., signed Home Lover and I think this young bachelor does not know what a woman is or he would not expect her to be able to do as much work as he does himself.

I quite agree with him re her being able to cook. Cooking is something every young girl or woman should be able to do. But as for feeding calves, pigs, and milking cows, as well as weeding the garden, etc., why all this work is simply out of the question and I cannot understand how any young man starting in life would have the nerve to expect his young wife to do such drudgery. He should remember that a woman is not a horse, but it seems that some of the writers in your correspondence columns would expect her to do as much as his horse. If I am ever unfortunate enough to get a wife I will never expect her to do as much as some of our Alberta bachelors expect a wife to do.

"A Railroad."

### Billy wants a Wife.

Indian Head, May 15th, 1906.

Editor:—Being a subscriber to your interesting magazine and having made up my mind that I must have a wife, I thought I would write you a few lines. I think that I can keep a wife a great deal better than many of the chaps that I know around here. Would you be so kind as to put my little ad. in your magazine or would you put me in communication, with a young Protestant lady of refinement. I would like one who can play the piano, I'll furnish the piano. Permit me to say also that I keep a chore boy. Trusting that you will help me find the kind of girl I am looking for, I remain yours, &c.

"Billy."

### Thinks Saskatoon Girl O. K.

Editor:—I got hold of a copy of your December Number, 1905, just lately, and I see a letter from a young lady who signs herself "Young Woman," Saskatoon. I think she is quite right about the men who drink not deserving a wife. If more of the ladies thought the same and made their thoughts known through the medium of your excellent magazine there would not be so many unhappy homes. But the trouble is, that a number of young women hold the view that they can reform the drunkard after marriage. I think in most cases it proves a failure and a life of misery is the result.

"Total Abstainer."

### Sympathize with Bachelors.

Puskan, Sask., May 19th, 1906.

Editor:—I have read the letters in the Western Home Monthly for some time past and now wish to correspond and join in with the rest. Many of the writers criticize rather too much. I for one take the bachelors' part as they (some of them) have a hard life especially when they have been working hard all day with the sun looking them in the face; when they finish instead of coming in knowing there is a nice hot supper waiting for them, they must get it for themselves.

That young widow who wrote from B. C. was very harsh with the bachelors.

"Snow Flake."

### Takes the Bachelors to Task.

Olds, Alberta, April 16th, 1906.

Editor:—In looking through the correspondence of your valuable magazine, one sees letters that should not go unchallenged, the "Alberta Boy" and "A Home Lover" both of April issue, should go hand in hand, the former says he has not got time to go on a wife hunting expedition and finishes by saying he is O. K. and well fixed; the latter says he is a prosperous farmer and signs himself "A Home Lover." What kind of a home would he have if his wife has to do all he expects her to do in his opinion of a good wife? I think that both these young men had better change their ads. from "Wanted A Wife" to "Wanted—A chore boy, willing to work for his board and clothes." It was with pleasure that I read the letters from "A Western Young Woman" and "Spinster Aged 19" both of April issue, the former in my opinion is quite right, if a wife is worth having she is worth running after, and "Spinster Aged 19" has got the majority of the cases of married life on a farm just sized up rightly; the chores on a farm are not a woman's work though in many instances a girl living at home on a farm has no other choice, she has not had the education to do otherwise, but, on the other hand, when a man asks a girl to marry him he should not expect her to be the chore boy, but give her a nice home and let that be her sphere, if



Everybody works but father. He reads the Western Home Monthly.