

sisters to tease. I will answer all letters so will some of you lassies write who will love me and be loved in return. I will close with a description of myself. I am Canadian born, 25 years old, height 5 feet 10 inches, light hair and blue eyes, fond of sports and most of all fond of girls. My address is with the editor. Please forward the enclosed letter to the "Red Rose and White Rose."

"A Prince Albert Farmer."

Shy Tim in Line.

Saskatchewan, June 28, 1908.

Editor.—I have been a reader of your paper for some years, so I thought I would like to have my say in the correspondence column. Some of the letters are very amusing, but I think some of the girls and men would do different to what they say if they were married for I know girls often say the opposite to what they mean.

I have batched for about four years and I know what it is like. Some of the girls want a man that does not chew or smoke tobacco, or swear, or drink liquor of any kind. I think some of them will have to wait a long time before they get a man free from all those habits. Some of them say that they would not milk cows or feed calves or pigs; the best thing they can do is to stay off the farm, for it is few farmers' wives but what have to do some of that kind of work some time or another; but still I think the house is the place for a man's wife and if she can keep that clean and tidy and have a good meal ready for her husband when he comes in from work she is good enough for me. They who sign themselves "Merry Widow" and "The Wild Irish Girl" in March number write very sensible letters; also "An Old Fashioned Girl" in February number.

I won't say much about myself because I have faults like the rest. I am 5 feet 4 inches high, fair complexion, 26 years old, and weigh 140 pounds. If there is anyone who would like a friendly letter from me I will be pleased to write. I must shut off now, wishing the W. H. M. every success.

"Shy Tim."

Must Be Jolly and a Hustler.

Clearville, Alta., June 30th, 1908.

Editor.—I am a subscriber of your valuable paper and take great interest in the correspondence department.

I am a lonely bachelor and I guess about as sweet as any of them. I am 6 feet tall, red hair, hazel eyes and a red nose, weight 200 pounds, age 26; am considered a pretty good man, and I think there isn't a broncho running loose that I can't ride. I am free hearted, jolly and believe in having a good time. I have 400 acres of land and plenty to do. My farm is well improved and I want a jolly companion. I do not care so much for looks, but she must be jolly and free hearted and a hustler. I have a fine driving team and buggy and take everything in. Now, girls, write to me, as I want to get married (no use going around the bush about it). My address is with the editor.

"Happy Tim."

Humorous Though Sarcastic.

Saskatchewan, June 30, 1908.

Editor.—If you do not consider my letter too lengthy, will you please insert it in your correspondence column? I have been an interested reader of your Monthly for some time and had no idea such an excellent magazine was published in Canada and in the West. If your present standard is maintained and improved I see no reason for the government passing postage laws almost prohibiting the entry into Canada of such Yankee publications as the Ladies' Home Journal, Woman's Home Companion, etc. In regard to your correspondence page, which is of such interest to the boys and girls and every reader of the W. H. M. I wish to make a few remarks and also have some of your correspondents answer the following question in regard to this matrimonial business. This is the problem: It is possible most of you have canvassed the qualities of every lady and gentleman within your circle of acquaintance and even have solicited introductions to numberless others, and yet have failed in finding one that will, as you think, approximate your character. Now, the question is, what are you to do? I think the correspondence column of the W. H. M. is one solution of the question. You may write a letter, stating in a few words as possible your idiosyncrasies and invite replies from only those who imagine they approach your standard of character. You insert this letter, of course, in the W. H. M. and it is read by hundreds of marriageable ladies and gentlemen, and among them it is possible the one who could not possibly have heard of you other than in this way. A correspondence is commenced with a score of those having an appearance of suiting. Presently the right one is discovered and an engagement follows. I am curious to know how many engagements have resulted from such correspondence in the W. H. M. If there are any the lucky ones might give us their joint experience. There is much that could be said in favor of this mode of selection, the best of which is that it prevents the feelings from being too much en-

gaged in the choice, which is of itself a convincing and eloquent argument in its favor. You might, of course, in your correspondence state your peculiarities, but all girls are not going to fall in love with a certain number of years, inches and pounds avoirdupois, nor are all the boys going to choose and marry a dimple, a set of white teeth, a peach blossom cheek, a lithe and willowy waist, etc., etc. However, a statement of these personalities is very good and serves as a working basis, also giving myself an opportunity to make a few personal remarks.

I am 23 years old, height 5 feet 10 inches, weight 160 lbs., weight of brain, 60 ozs.; have blue eyes, complexion undecided, health good; eat drink and masticate three times a day. I am not in the matrimonial market, not yet am I trying to discover an affinity, but if any of the young ladies should be interested enough to correspond I would be pleased to answer their letters. Thanking you for your courtesy, I remain,

"Saturn."

Nothing Too Good for the Irish.

New Lowell, Ont., June 30, 1908.

Editor.—I have seen the correspondence column in the W. H. M. and I am filled with sympathy for the bachelors and I would be glad to cheer up a dozen or so of them with my flowery letters.

Though it is far from the likes of me to axe a fellow to write to me, but my heart aches for the dear bachelors. Should any one have the kindness to inform me where to get one I would be terribly good to him. I wouldn't deprive him of the comfort of his smoke. Sure, indeed, I would help him light his pipe and sure if he has a liking for the wee drop its meself would let him drink a barrel of it if he didn't get drunk and lose all the little bit of wit he ever had.

I am a fine, decent, good-looking colleen that any man would set his heart on, with eyes of Killarney blue and a heart as big as the city of Cork, and pretty golden hair, 17 years old. I am a big, strong lassie able and willing to take a hand at any kind of work. I want a jolly, good-looking fellow, not more than 25 years old.

"Tralee."

Don't Like Living with Mother-in-Law.

Ontario, June 10, 1908.

Editor.—I have been reading the W. H. M. for some time and hope you will find space for my letter.

I am a farmer's daughter and have lived on a farm all my life. I can milk cows and feed calves, but will not say I am in love with either for all that.

I am very fond of horses and can harness, hitch up and drive a single horse, but never tried to harness a team. I am fond of dancing and do not think it harmful if you do not go to excess with it or mix with improper company.

I agree with "Ellen Jane" in the April number. If I ever get married I do not intend to boss or be bossed, but as for getting on with his mother, would rather not live with her at all.

Seeing that everyone gives a description of themselves I will fall in line. I am 5 feet 7 inches tall and weigh 120 pounds, have blue eyes and brown hair. I am 22 years of age. I would be pleased to hear from any nice young man who has no bad habits. I do not approve of strong drink in any form, or chewing, but would object so much to smoking but would prefer one who did not.

My address will be with the editor and I will answer all letters I receive.

"Miss Nell."

Sensible Advice to Marriageable Girls.

Alberta, June 15, 1908.

Editor.—I have been reading the correspondence column for some time. It affords me great amusement. The letters are all so entertaining, but if the young ladies that are on the matrimonial market assert that they don't want and couldn't love a 'quid mawn' that would smoke or chew tobacco, drink intoxicating liquor or swear, wear his hat on one side of his head, or too far at the back or front, must always have an extra clean hankie in his pocket, I am seriously afraid these sort of young ladies will forever and aye be on the market. If more of the gentle sex would turn the searchlight on themselves and see that they have serious faults and as many (if not so prominent) as most young men. And it is my advice to both young women and men to look to have themselves perfected before fault is found with others. I am far from perfect myself and so is my own dear hubby, but we bear and forbear with each other. My parents were very much against cards and so I was also. My hubby liked cards and so this winter to wife away the long winter evenings I consented to try to learn to play them, with my old boy for a teacher. It kept his pleasure interests at home, and he has a pleasant smoke while we play. He smokes and chews, but as to drinking I don't know whether he does or not. I never smell it on his breath and have no fear of his ever touching it; if he wants a drink when he goes to town he is welcome to it. We both have our faults, but the love we bear each other covers all the difficulty, and we are always happy.

"Critic."

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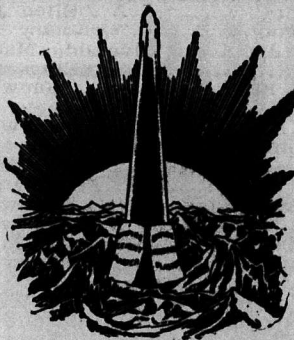
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