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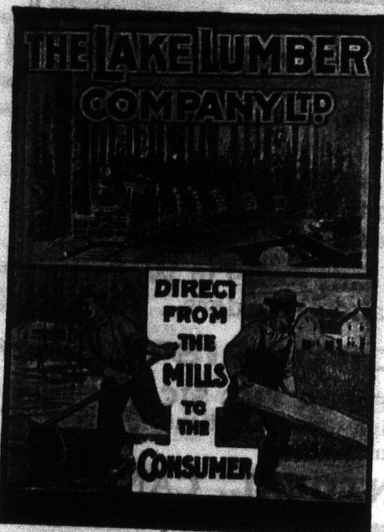
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This Gent Says He's Shy.

Brockport, Alta., March 13, 1909.
Editor.—Will you allow me space in your much used columns for just a short epistle. I have been a subscriber and reader for about six months and enjoy very much reading your correspondence columns, although some of the letters are very foolish.

I should very much like to correspond with some of the fair sex. I would like to hear from "College Widow," of January, if she will write.

I am 24 years old, 5 feet 10 inches in height, weight about 150 pounds, brown hair and grey eyes and am entirely temperate, but like a smoke once in a while. I am very fond of music and all kinds of sport. I will answer all letters that may be sent to me. Now, young ladies, please write to me first, as I am kind of shy. Hoping that I have not taken up too much of your valuable time and space, I will close, wishing your paper and your correspondents every success.

"Shy."

Distance Lends Enchantment.

Sault Ste. Marie, March 9, 1909.
Editor.—Your paper comes to our home. I notice your correspondence column is increasing in numbers. It certainly is very interesting to read the witty letters of young men and maidens. I wish to join the circle.

I am a young business man, eyes of blue, 5 feet and a half, a nice moustache. Will give full particulars in first letter, ladies, who can tell but acquaintance formed in this peculiar way may bud forth into friendship, to bloom and blossom into that beautiful flower of love. Distance sometimes lends enchantment that may end in perfect bliss.

Girls, get busy, and let us have a good time through the mail. My name is with the Western Home Monthly.

"Snowball."

One for "College Widow."

Manitoba, March 16th, 1909.
Editor.—I have just got the January issue of the W. H. M. and am very much struck with the correspondence column. This is the first time I have seen it, but I mean to be a constant reader in future. I notice it is customary to give a description of one's self, so I will give you mine. I am a bachelor farmer, 26 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches in height, weight 165 pounds, medium brown hair, blue eyes. I don't chew nor tamper with liquor, but I am pretty fond of the pipe. I can't see any harm in taking a smoke. You can publish this if you think it worth while. Meantime please forward enclosed letter to "College Widow," and oblige yours sincerely,

"John Highlandman."

Thinks He's Pretty Nice.

Manitoba, March 13th, 1909.
Editor.—Will you kindly allow me a short space in the W. H. M. correspondence columns. I have taken the W. H. M. for about a year and am very much interested. I notice some good letters from time to time in the columns, especially some of the girls' letters; others are not so good. Now I think if some of the girls and boys in writing could be more original and not copy; what I mean is, just to write as they would talk. The readers would understand them better and would be able to size up their general disposition and make up, which would help a great deal in choosing a congenial person to correspond with.

Perhaps some of the girls might think of writing to me, so I will describe as I see myself. I am farming at present in southern Manitoba, have ½ section of land; am a bachelor in my twenties, 6 feet tall, 175 pounds, fair looking, with very dark hair and blue eyes, square build, broad shoulders, stand erect, 41 inches chest measure, No. 7½ shoe, and No. 9 glove; somewhat of a social favorite, the girls say that I am a dear, sweet—? But here they stop. I guess they are not able to describe or make out what it is. However, if any of the girls would write, I would be pleased very much and would appreciate and respect their letters and answer them promptly.

So now, girls, I am sending my address to the editor. Please forward the enclosed letter to "Shy Lass," in the January number of the W. H. M., 1909, and oblige, with best wish for the continued success of the W. H. M.

"Billy Sweet."

Wants Lady Who Will Love Him.

Brockport, Alta., March 13, 1909.
Editor.—I have been a reader of the W. H. M. for some time past and take

great pleasure in reading the correspondence letters in your columns.

I would like to correspond with one of the fair sex, but I am not very good at writing letters. I am a native of Ireland and very bashful. I am a fireman by trade and at present I am running a pump for the C. P. R. I love to be among boilers and engines but since I came out west I feel very lonely in the evenings. I am 24 years old, 5 feet 9 inches tall, and weigh 150 lbs. I have light brown hair and hazel eyes. I am of a bright and loving disposition, very easy to get along with, like a glass of beer at meal time when it registers over 90 in the shade, and smoke tobacco. I am pretty well fixed financially as I save my wages. I don't like a girl who loses her temper at every little thing that goes wrong. I like to see people happy, and if ever I be so lucky as to possess a wife, my one aim in life will be to make her happy, so I hope some young lady will take pity on a lonely Irishman whose heart is yearning for someone to love. Anyone wishing to correspond with me will find my address with the editor. If this is so lucky as to escape the waste paper basket.

"Irish Mick."

Sweet 17, and a Singer.

Magnetawan, Ont., Mar. 14, 1909.

Editor.—I have been an interested reader of your correspondence column for some time and find some of the letters very sensible and some amusing. Some of the bachelors are very lonely and seem to need a wife. Though I am not thinking of matrimony I would like to correspond with some of the bachelors for pastime; also some of the girls if they will write first. I live in a town and do not know much about country life, but think it would be pleasant in the summer though lonely in winter. I am going to try and go to the West for a trip. I do not blame the bachelors for being lonely and hating to cook their own meals.

I see it is the custom to give a description, so here is mine. I am 5 feet 2 inches tall, blue eyes, brown hair, fair complexion and a very good singer, 17 years old.

I agree with the girls that if a man drinks one glass it leads to another, so, boys, don't take the first glass. I abhor to see men chewing tobacco, but do not mind smoking.

I think that if "Bare Teddy" were down here he would find that the Eastern girls don't fall in love so easily as he imagines. There are not so many old maids as some of you bachelors imagine. I am fond of skating, dancing and driving. I would like to hear from "Indian Paddy," "Alberta Homesteader," and "Golden West," if they will write first; also any of the boys or girls that care to write, they will find my address with the editor. Some of the Eastern girls imagine that the bachelors in the West have hearts as big as pumpkins and that's the kind for them. Wish the W. H. M. every success.

"Teasing."

Wife Not Expected to Do Chores.

Killam, Alta., March 12, 1909.
Editor.—I have been a reader of your paper for some time, but have never written to you before. I hope I will not be intruding by writing now.

I am a farmer at present and would like to correspond with some lady who would like a home in the wild and woolly west.

Will give you a description of myself and hope it will not be lacking in good qualities to some of the fair sex. I am 5 feet 8 inches tall and am what people call good looking. Have a cheerful disposition. Neither chew nor indulge in strong drink.

Would like to hear from ladies who are musically inclined. I have no chores for a woman to do, only to get my meals when I come in from a hard day's work and have things cheerful. Any young lady who wishes to correspond with a very lonely bachelor will find my address with the editor.

"Judge A."

A Chip Off the Old Block.

Minto, Man., March 14, 1909.

Editor.—My father has taken your valuable paper for some time and I think it is a great help to the farmers. I take great interest in your correspondence column and wish to make the acquaintance of some young lady. Would like to exchange post cards or write just to pass away the time.

I am a farmer's son, settled in a good farming district, and like it pretty well. I see all the boys and girls give a description of themselves, so here's mine. I am 5 feet 6 inches in height, weigh 128 pounds, dark brown hair, brown eyes, and do not chew, smoke