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In nine cases out of ten he resides a considerable distance from where there are girls and unable to afford the time for friendship he takes pot luck, so he really buys a wife as he would purchase an article at the nearest store. He has to accept what they stock as he cannot afford the time to go further afield, so imagine their lot. (Ask Daisy.) A young lady accepting a proposal on these conditions has no chance whatever of studying his disposition and the only way open for viewing one another is by correspondence and photos, relying entirely on the letters exchanged as to their personal beauty, as I notice they all possess that more or less.

I quite agree to exchanging photos shortly after correspondence opens up, as it soon gives one a fair idea if it is advisable to keep corresponding or drop it, and he or she should be most prompt in expressing their desire to discontinue corresponding, so giving either party a good chance of corresponding with others in the circle, who may meet with the approval of some other admirer, as we do not in this world all appear the same to one another or some of us would be on the shelf.

After an exchange of photos and both seem favorably impressed, the young man should endeavor to bring about a meeting and the chances are a happy union may result.

For "Silverheel's" edification as to a town boy's view of a model wife, I am barred corresponding with her under the age clause or perhaps I could give her a much better account, so she must accept it as it is.

Under no circumstances should a couple wed for any other purpose but Love (Capital L for Love), but should they be fortunate enough to obtain wealth with it all well and good.

If we all speak the truth it is one of our ambitions to love and be loved in return, but give me the love if it should be impossible to obtain both. Far better poor and happy than rich and miserable, but of course, there is the happy medium to being poor. But the happiest woman of all in my estimation is the one who has worked and helped to place her husband on a good financial footing, which is generally brought about by her kind disposition, her household abilities, her love for home and her economical principles, which has given her husband encouragement to try and make a headway, which in most cases is the stepping stone to success. This class of women have often turned the wildest of men into the best of husbands.

I don't for one moment suggest for any young lady to marry a man of wild and careless disposition as an experiment from her kind loving heart as nine cases out of ten it will only be folly. Some young damsels do not seem to realize what marrying for love means; they generally expect their husbands to be making love to them in his spare time, in other words, like the performance of a couple of turtle doves, and when he fails to keep up his so-called love she at once imagines he has neglected her. She then imagines he really has not the love for her she expected or he professed he had, so she comes to the conclusion he only wanted a household drudge, or as some term it, the marriage of convenience, but after all is said and done and all jokes on one side (this side, please) it is the man's fault and the woman's mistake.

This sort of man's love is much stronger than one would imagine. I have proved this by my lodging experience and I take a deep interest in studying human nature and I have met cases of married couples who could not agree and yet I found out by studying this couple that more love existed there than the ordinary spectator could guess. The whole cause of the trouble was, they were of the same disposition.

"Lord Byron No. 2" Takes Pen in Hand.

Laurence, Alta., Aug. 15, 1907.
Editor.—Being a constant reader of your splendid magazine, I take much pleasure in reading the page by "The Philosopher," also the articles on "The Young Man and his Problem," by James L. Gordon.

Occasionally I catch a glimpse of the correspondence column, and sometimes notice a particularly bright and interesting letter, but a good many of them, especially by the young ladies, are written in a plaintive and monotonous strain commenting continually on such things as feeding pigs, calves, milking cows, etc. There may be some who are compelled to do these outside chores, but we find those so engaged have more ability in that line, and we find that not more than one in ten understands anything whatever of the methods of good housekeeping. It is a fact that extravagance and not economy is the general policy of womankind.

I am no friend of the bar-room or tobacco store, but while the women are sitting in judgment on these matters they would do well to remember that their own uncontrollable tempers and vipers' tongues are much greater defects of characters than the others of which they speak so loudly, and if these were remedied less would be heard of the smoking and drinking habits, as many men are turned to these through

lack of attractiveness in the home as the paint and polish which was so alluring in the days of courtship has vanished like a mist.

The Lord never intended women to sit as judges and rulers over men, and we are sure they are much more respected when they keep the place which nature has assigned to them.

Much has been said of late by your lady correspondents relating to the high standard of character which they require of men, but it goes without saying the world over, and is therefore true, that if a woman must choose between a decent, respectable, church-going young man and a downright idle, worthless tough, she will almost invariably choose the latter. Many of these angelic young ladies claim they can "sing and play the piano, organ and harp," but we are not aware that this is any great assistance to her husband, beautiful as these accomplishments are.

I do not wish your fair readers to think that I am an inveterate crank and woman-hater, but having given this matter some consideration both in this country and abroad, I have come to the conclusion that women are much at fault in the home, as no matter where you go you find a lot of unmannerly and disobedient children, even among those women who think they are above the average, both in intelligence and education.

It is generally conceded that our Canadian girls are equal if not superior to any that can be found. Having always been extremely popular, not only with my own sex, but also with the fair, I hope to win the affections of one of these beautiful women.

I hope to hear by letter or through your paper from some of the beautiful and sarcastic critics who so ably defend their cause.

My motto is: "None but the brave deserve the fair."

"Lord Byron No. 2."

Says Letters are Interesting.

Saskatoon, Sask., Aug. 15, 1907.
Editor.—Being a constant reader of your valuable paper and much interested in the correspondence columns, I thought I would write a few lines to you. I think you are deserving of great credit for the interest you are taking in the young people and for the

privileges you are giving them to become acquainted with each other. A large number of the letters are quite interesting.

I would be pleased to correspond with a number of young ladies under 25, Westerners, including Manitobans, preferred.

I am 26 years of age, 5 ft. 11 in. tall, and weigh 172 lbs. I have property in country, but at present I am living in town, in the "Hub" of Saskatchewan and the hard wheat belt.

Please forward enclosed letters to "Handsome Maiden," Alberta, and to "Daisy," Wapella, Sask., and oblige, "Westerner."

"Busybody" from Ontario.

Frankville, Ont., Aug. 17, 1907.
Editor.—I have been a reader of your magazine since last February. The correspondence pages interest and amuse me very much, so I thought I would have my letter ready for next month.

I notice all the bachelors want the girls to write first. Now, I think it is their place to write if they see a letter that seems to suit their fancy or taste, so if any of the bachelors think they would care to waste a stamp on me, they can get my name from the Editor.

I quite like "Canadian Jack's" idea of married life on a farm.

I am a farmer's daughter and always lived on this same farm. I have done all kinds of house work since I was big enough, and it keeps me busy the year round. I do all my own baking, preserving, house cleaning and sewing, etc.

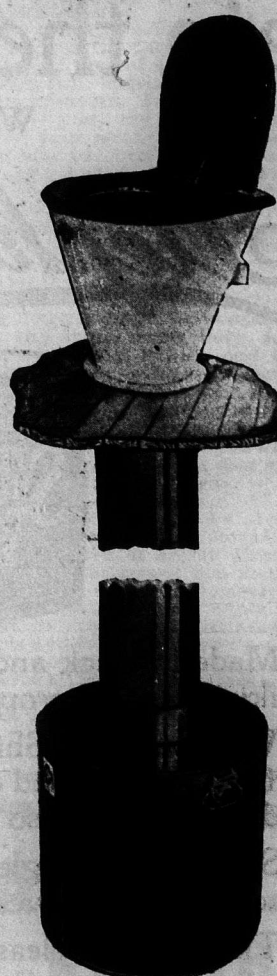
I am 26 years of age, have light complexion, light hair, weigh about 100 lbs. A few people have told me I am good looking, but I don't believe them. I can't play the piano and haven't had much education, but I can get a meal good enough for farmers.

All young men that don't touch strong drink and tobacco are to be praised for it. I am not so particular about their looks or the color of their hair, etc. If they are only clean, honest, industrious, kind and good-natured.

I guess perhaps I have said enough for this time. I will now wait for results.

"Busybody."

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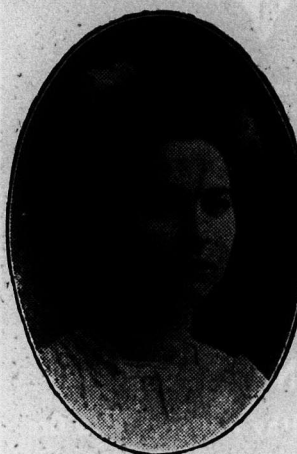
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