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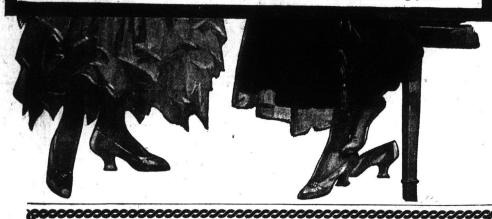
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"Just a Lonely Girl," I don't agree with you when you say, "I do not mind a gentleman smoking." I dislike seeing young men going around smoking. They are far better leaving such bad habits alone. As I don't wish to make this letter too long, I will close, hoping to see it in print. Wishing The Western Home Monthly much success I will sign myself Monthly much success, I will sign myself

Likes the West

Dear Editor-We have taken The Western Home Monthly for several years and, although we take several other magazines also, I can honestly say that I like The Western Home Monthly best. I have always thought I would like to send a letter to the correspondence page, but until now I have always lost courage.

I live in the city but I love the country, especially the West. I have always wanted to go out West and I think this year my wish will be granted.

Our city does quite a bit of Red Cross work. All over, societies have been formed, funds raised and teas and dances are frequent events. I must close now, hoping to see this letter in print. Wishing The Western Home Monthly every success, I remæin, Sweet Sixteen.

P.S.—If any of the girls or boys would like to write, my address will be with the Editor and I will try to answer all letters.—S.S.

Manitoba's Progress

Dear Editor—Excuse me shouting three for Manitoba, but I say most heartily it's coming to the Manitobans for voting down the drink by abolishing the bars—a great step towards total prohibition which must and shall come in due time. What a compensation for those who have known the real curse of vile drink by blasted homes and lives, or have seen their friends sink to the lowest depths of humanity. Drink is the cause of practically all vice and crime, and we have only to look to Russia to see what great benefits total prohibition has done for a country. Some will say this was done without the vote of women. Well it is true, they may not have actually voted but their influence was the main cause of the Temperance Act pass-Secondly, Manitobans are determined to clean up a dirty political mess by the way the provincial elections have gone and if "a new broom sweeps clean," then get as many new "brooms" as are necessary and last, but not least, is the fact that Manitoba women have got the "vote," which is the greatest help of all towards cleaning up our dirty politics, which need more than the usual "spring cleaning" to make them honestly presentable. I hope this mighty war will be instrumental of bringing just as big reforms, else it will have been fought in vain with all its appalling loss of life, property and money, chief among the reforms-and may God speed the day to see these realized-should be the abolition of all wars and intoxicating drink among civilized nations. I fail to see the "glory" of a 20th century war, I know we are in it for our very existence but that makes it a grim necessity and every man of the right age that can pass medical examination should be wearing khaki. I cannot agree with "Prairie Lad" in April issue for not enlisting. He says, "If it was not for my farm and mother I believe I would be at the front now." I think that is most selfish and cowardly. "Prairie Lad" your mother and farm should be worth fighting for, even if you are too selfish from a more pætriotic view. Do you expect others to fight for you so you can have all the comforts and ease of home-getting the extra dollars by improving your farm, when others are giving their life blood. Better let the farm go for a year than let the Germans take it from you or be under Prussian rule. I would only be too glad to fight for my mother and yours and our country, as I think every man should "do his bit," but a long sickness, with several operations, prevents me from donning the khaki. I am afraid "Prairie Lad" is conceited by the way he blows about his own good faults. I think The Western Home Monthly is just O.K. as a magazine, brimful of interest to one and all. I have been a subscriber for eight years, also have it sent to the "Old Folks" in the Old Country where it is



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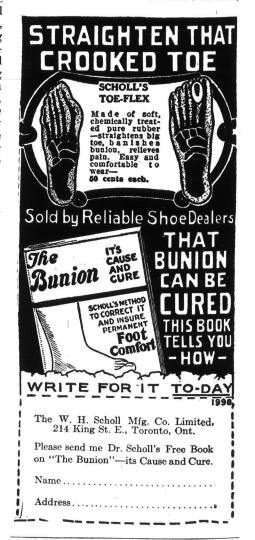
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