

DAKOTA'S GIRL FARMERS.

Young Women Who Own the Land They Cultivate.

From the New York Sun.

Mitchell, D. T., July 8.—Most of the young ladies who own and work farms in this Territory have a great abhorrence of notoriety, because of the number of bores that are sure to hunt them up, either in person or by letter. A floating paragraph about a young woman who has a farm near this place, which appeared in the newspapers a few months ago, brought her more than a hundred letters inside of three months. These missives were of every variety under the sun, and included nearly everything, from an offer of advice on wheat-planting to propositions of marriage. While speaking with her yesterday on these subjects she said:

"I had some of the funniest letters you ever read. About a dozen of them were from men who wanted to marry, evidently a lazy, shiftless lot, for not one of them could spell, and in every case the letters indicated ignorance even of the common courtesies of life. They were principally from widowers, and all began by saying that they had been thinking of going to Dakota for a long time. I suppose they all thought that I would jump at the chance to get them. I never answered any of them. Some of the letters were from old ladies in the Eastern and Middle States who wanted to give me good advice, and others were from girls, widows and old maids, asking how I managed to get along, and what was necessary for them to do in order to get themselves established as well as I am. I answered some of these, and two or three of them have written to me since."

"The worst nuisances that I have to deal with," she continued, "are the men, young and old, who come out to see me. They are about the toughest lot I ever heard of. I have had to drive some of them off the place, as they seemed determined to stay. I suppose it is so everywhere, but it seems strange that a woman can't go ahead and accomplish something for herself without being worried to death by all the old bums, cranks, widowers, and dudes within a thousand miles. One young fool came to see me last spring, and after following me around a sixty-acre lot twice, just because I treated him decently, actually had the nerve to ask me if my thoughts ever turned to matrimony. I told him that they never had, though I didn't know what might happen if I came across just the right person. That seemed to help him on a little, and he asked what sort of a person it would have to be. I told him I didn't know, and called his attention to the fact that my off-horse was a little off his feed."

"How would I do?" said the young fellow, and I says:

"If I had a ten-acre lot full of fellows like you I wouldn't take the trouble to scrape you up with a horse-rake."

"One elderly man from Pennsylvania came here last fall, and stopping in town, he would drive out here every day. He began at first by pretending he had a deep religious interest in me. Then he wanted to know how I stood financially, how I got my farm, and how much I made from it. It took him several days to get what he wanted to know, and then he intimated a wish on his part to take tea with me, and spend an hour or two in the evening at my house, as there was something that he wanted to say to me. I tried to get rid of him, but he was old enough to be my father and was so decent about things generally that I finally consented. After tea he took a couple of chairs out on the east side of the house, and when we had both seated ourselves, he said:

"I have been thinking for a long time about marrying again. I've got—"

"Now, you stop right where you are," said I, "or I'll set the dog on you. If that's the nature of your remarks, we'll adjourn this meeting right here. I've got work to do, and I don't want any fooling around."

"You never saw a man get up and git like he did. He never said a word, and I have never seen him since."

"I rather like some of these young chaps from the city, though—the kind that are not making love, but who are always wanting to help you. They think they are so strong, and when anything is to be done they are so quick to take hold; but, gracious goodness, I could break a good many of them in two, if I wanted to. They're good boys, though, and I'll never say anything against them."

This young lady, who is as brown as a berry and as solid as a russet, with all the spryness and grace of the gentlest of her sex, owns 160 acres of good land, and has it under a pretty fair state of cultivation. Some old farmers might make fun of a few things, and she readily admits that she has much to learn, but she manages to make her living and considerably more. Her mother lives with her, and with the assistance of a stout maid-of-all-work they get along without the male help. Before the young woman came here she tried to make her living as a dressmaker in a small Michigan town, but she failed at that, and finally determined to come here and settle down on a farm. She laughingly says that she does not know how long she will keep at it, and there are those who suspect that before long somebody will come whose suit will not be in vain.

Up near Blunt there are two young sisters, not more than 25 years old, who own and work a farm of 200 acres. They went on their claim be-

fore there was a building of any kind there, taking a tent along to live in, and, with the assistance of a carpenter for a few days, they built their house and sheds, and made ready for farming operations. These girls came from an Illinois town, where they had heard stories of the productiveness and cheapness of Dakota lands, and, having no near relatives to oppose them, they struck out to make their fortune. During the first year they had a pretty hard time of it. They were healthy, but not robust, and a great deal of the work that they had to do would have tried the strongest man sorely. Their capital was small, and they did not realize enough the first year to pay their own expenses, but neighbors took an interest in them, and the assistance which they rendered carried them through. After that they prospered, and every year now they do better than the year before.

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Lima Letter to Chicago Inter Ocean.

No man can see Peru without wondering at the grandeur, the industry, and the intelligence of the Inca Empire. They had arts which the world has forgotten; knowledge which the world never knew; thrift which their conquerors could never imitate, and wealth which made them the prey of every adventurer of the Sixteenth Century. Their temples and palaces were built of hewn stone from quarries that the Spaniards have not been able to discover, and the means by which they lifted blocks of granite weighing hundreds of tons is a problem no antiquarian has been able to solve. They knew how to harden copper until it had an edge as keen and enduring as the flint of modern steel; they made ornaments of gold and silver and cut jewels as skillfully as the lapidaries of to-day, and their fabrics of woolen and cotton are spun and woven as smoothly as modern looms can make. They surpassed modern civilization in many things and had a system of government under which millions of people lived and labored as a single family, with everything in common, knowing all arts, but those of war, worshipping a deity whose attributes were almost parallel to those of the Christian God.

Hemmed in on one side by the impassable snows of the Andes, and on the other by a desert, lifted above the rest of a world unknown to them, in spirit as well as fact, as peaceful and calm as the Andean stars, they established a system of civilization in which for the first time since creation, the equal rights of every human being were recognized and observed. The great sea beating incessantly against their desolate coast was recognized by them as a symbol of the infinite, the omnipotence, whose force and majesty their simple logic could not comprehend; while the sun, whose heat and light made existence possible, was recognized as the source of all good. Hence these two elements, the sun and the ocean, were personified and were the objects of the Inca's worship.

A Philadelphia Crematory.

From the Philadelphia Record.

A crematory to cost \$40,000 and to be situated within ample grounds in this city is to be erected this fall. The scheme is in the hands of a stock company, of which Dr. Bernhard Troutman is President, and sufficient money has been subscribed to insure the success of the plan. Eleven acres of ground near Manayunk have been secured, and the plans for the buildings are now being drawn by William L. Taylor, the architect.

These plans contemplate a beautiful chapel, after the old Greek style, the pilasters, bases, columns and cornices to be of granite, and the walls of brick. The roof will be ornamented with a cupola, and both covered with copper. The building will be 100 feet by 80 feet. The cupola will be mounted by an angle of 15 degrees, high, of solid bronze. Within the walls of this beautiful structure will be a chapel roomy enough to accommodate a large funeral party. The granite upon which the coffin will rest during the ceremonies will be so arranged that when the services are over it can be lowered to the floor beneath, upon which will be the crematory furnace. This will be manufactured by Phillips, and be what is known as an incinerating furnace, with regenerating gas firing. It will be large enough to burn two bodies at once. The crematory room will be 12 feet high, and supplied with every possible convenience. Upon the chapel floor there will be a chamber for the reception of the dead; and in order that the relatives may be convinced that life is really extinct, the apartment will be provided with electrical appliances, so that the slightest movement in the coffin will sound an alarm to the watchman. Here the corpse may remain for three days, if thought necessary.

Within the chapel there will be 10,000 places of sepulchre for the ashes of the cremated dead. The grounds will be laid out in keeping with the buildings which are to be erected, and there will be lots laid off for the burial of the dead as in other cemeteries, so that those who dislike the idea of cremation may bury their friends in the orthodox way. A very large number of influential gentlemen are interested in the scheme.

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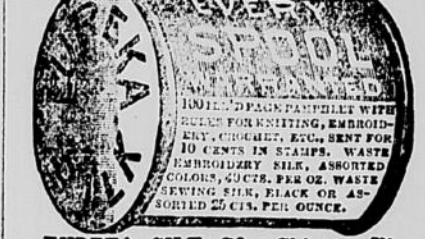
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