

Of Interest to Women

The War Between Interior Decorators and Collectors

There is a war being waged between collectors and interior decorators which, though silent, is none the less deadly and will be fought to a finish. The former claim that a collection in china, pottery, glassware, metal ware, pictures, furniture, wooden-ware—in fact anything that one might be tempted to collect—is decorative. While the decorator claims, and rightly so in most instances, that a collection, be it of teapots or toys—should be housed in a museum and not in a home. So the war is on.

The Dutch shelf frequently carries an accumulation that may be the nucleus of a collection. The trouble is that when the shelf is filled the collector's interest flags, so the collection is imperfect and incomplete and an offence to good taste from the decorator's point of view. Today it is blown glass bottles. Those having busts of the various Presidents and men of prominence bring from five to fifty dollars, while those bearing the bust of Jenny Lind are scarce and very high. In all probability the mates of the bottles were relegated to trash piles when emptied, so it is now only the stragglers that are being resurrected by collectors. The bottles are interesting but no stretch of the imagination can call them either artistic or beautiful.

One collector during an extended visit in India and China made an effort to procure a miniature conveyance of every kind used in those countries. None of them were over a foot high and built in proportion. They were arranged on a Dutch shelf a little wider than usual and even the decorator admitted that they were a distinctive note in decoration. The room had a beamed ceiling and wainscots with heavy red Indian paper below and above the shelf. Corresponding draperies and rugs gave the collection their full value without dominating the entire decorative scheme of the room. Mixed decorations always have the effect of clustering. Had even a vase or a jar been interspersed with the wee conveyances the effect would have been soiled.

An opposite case was that of a woman who had made a collection of three hundred odd teapots of every conceivable size and kind during a world tour. The pots ranged from the roughest pottery to the finest egg shell china, a few old metal and pewter pots being included. These were scattered all over the house, one felt smothered with teapots and there was no escaping them. A few other bits of bric-a-brac were mingled with the teapots, but, as far as their decorative value was concerned, were lost. It was not hard to agree with the interior decorator's view in this instance, that the collection belonged to a museum.

Another instance was a collection of shoes of all known nations, not only one pair, but a distinctive pair of each kind worn by the natives. Most of the shoes were new, a few had been worn by celebrated people but, like the teapots, they were scattered all over the place, on shelves, tables, hung on walls and scattered about in most unexpected places. The effect was rather weird and on damp days the atmosphere was "leathery." The bric-a-brac in this instance was almost as mixed in fashion and form as the shoes were in styles but one immediately decided if they must collect it would never be shoes.

The collector's fad, no matter how humble may be its ambition, is an expensive one, for there is always just one "other sort" to get that may take a trip or require a generous fee to off the way to possession, and the minute it becomes known that the thing wanted is for a collection, the price rises as if by magic, yet the pastime is a diverting one and gives many people who turn to it an object in life.

The collector of precious or semi-precious stones rarely has them set or shows them to others than special friends. The woman who collects lace is apt to wear a great deal of lace in one way or another. The person who collects rare bits of china is quite apt to prepare it on the nucleus of a museum exhibit, for the pieces are usually very rare, very expensive, and are generally kept under lock and key.

Thus, the attitude of the collector towards his collection varies but he who houses it indiscriminately is the offender against the unwritten laws of interior decoration and, in many instances, of good taste.

Disinfecting and Whitewashing Poultry Houses

(Experimental Farms Note)

All poultry houses should be thoroughly cleaned inside before the pullets are put into winter quarters and it is also a good plan to whitewash at least once a year. A valuable disinfectant whitewash suitable for this purpose, and also for hog houses, barns, basements, stables, etc., is made as follows: slaked lime, 1 1/2 pecks; salt, 2 lbs.; commercial concentrated lime-sulphur, 4 gals.; water, 40 gallons. For a small quantity the following proportions are suitable: slaked lime, 1 heaping quart; salt, 3 tablespoonfuls; commercial concentrated lime-sulphur, 1 1/2 qts.; water, 4 gallons. This amount is sufficient for the ordinary single-pen henhouse. One ounce of alum to the gallon of lime white wash makes it adhere much more satisfactorily, while a pound of cheap bar soap dissolved in a gallon of boiling water and added to about 5 gallons of thick whitewash will give it a gloss like oil paint. To insure penetration into cracks and crevices, and particularly if a large area is to be covered, the application is preferably done with a high-pressure spray pump.

The Popularity of The Larger Kitchen

The establishment of the kitchen beautiful has doomed the butler's pantry. This pantry has always been looked upon as a sort of architect's joke when it was placed in small, unpretentious houses where the butlers were unknown and the housewife herself had to preside over the pantry. A last its doom has been sounded and modern builders are using the spare space saved by the elimination to enlarge the kitchen. Ventilation is so carefully planned that there is now no objection to the kitchen opening directly on the living room or dining-room.

A big, sunny, well ventilated room is the modern kitchen. There is modern plumbing around the porcelain sink. One tiny dish-towel tub is placed in the kitchen, the wash-tubs having been banished to the laundry in the basement. Copper boiler, bright faucets, a gas stove with vent pipe into a chimney to carry off every odor, hood above with an outside ventilator, all add charm as well efficiency to this well-ventilated kitchen.

Deep closets line the wall space and the contents are protected from dust by glass doors. The zinc-covered table on revolving casters, and the plain, three-shelf service wagon are the inanimate servants in the modern kitchen of the small home, where neither butler nor butler's pantry is a necessity.

The well-finished walls are painted in agreeable tints. The floors are hard-finished and oiled, painted or linoleum-covered as fits the family needs. Windows are shaded and curtained, furniture is painted harmoniously. Where could one find a better place to breakfast and lunch? Dinner may be served in the living-room on the gate-leg table, which extends gracefully for the service. All traces can be quickly removed when the meal is over and the temporary dining-room becomes once more part of the living room.

In the need of more room and at less cost than in former days, useless rooms are being lopped off. The dead branches from a tree, and the space thus gained is being added to the size of needed rooms. Another idea that is gaining in favor is eating outdoors on the porch. This is possible all summer in many localities, from early spring to late fall, in an angle for the house and thus is protected from the elements. Modern wiring for electric attachments makes table service easy. The Bohemian element in this manner of living has a strong appeal to most people. Hospitality is also a feature, for it is so easy to entertain in the outdoor dining room where space seems unlimited.

Some porches even boast an outdoor fireplace, which adds an element of comfort on a chilly night and makes a fine place for toasting marshmallows, while a crane may be placed for the singing kettle that makes tea seem "homey" on a cool afternoon.

In small houses the butler's pantry was always a sort of "catch-all" place. The sink was rarely used, for dishes, especially where the housewife did her own work and found it more convenient to do all washing in one big sink in the kitchen.

All things considered, it is time the butler's pantry was banished and kitchen doors opened onto the living



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THE POSSIBLE BUT IMPROBABLE

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Beating a locomotive to a crossing.

Taking a long vacation and keeping a bank account.

Running the car a month without any expense except gas and oil.

Paying for an expensive car and an expensive home at the same time.

Catching a fish that is as big as the fish your friend caught last summer.

Getting out of a big city hotel without tipping the help.

Finding the rattles and knocks in your own car.

Getting more money than you know what to do with it.

Being engaged and then getting out of it.

Falling heir to a fortune.

So why attempt any of them?

A FIRE RANGER'S LETTER

A letter has come to the Canadian Forestry Association from a fire ranger in which he says:

"You can't say too often the chief business of all fire rangers is not to watch the forests but to watch the people. The forests are almost fire-proof as long as human beings keep out. But we don't want to keep them out. Every man has a right to camp and fish and hunt, but no man has a right to leave a blackened wilderness behind him. I've always noticed that the veteran sportsman, the man with the true woodsman's instincts, never takes any chances with fire. He builds a very small campfire because it cooks better and is easier to extinguish. He seldom smokes cigarettes while on the trail and if he has to light a match he takes out before throwing it away. He knows by bitter experience and observation that all big conflagrations in the forest start with a wisp of fire that a five-year-old could stamp out. He takes no chances for the chances are all against him. He is never tired of telling his friends that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure and that it takes Nature half a century or more to repair the damage that a reckless fisherman can do in three seconds of forgetfulness."

LONDON BRIDGE IN NEED OF REPAIRS

Heavy Traffic Caused Damage to Ancient Bridge.

London, Eng., Aug. 27.—The familiar rhyme, "London Bridge is falling down" loses its blithe note on the ears of London's officials, who have received warning that the ancient structure is bordering on the conditions described in Mother Goose.

River workers report that one of the piers has dropped four inches under the streets of traffic thrown on the structure when Waterloo bridge became incapacitated for heavy vehicles.

Tests are shortly to be made to ascertain the repairs necessary to save London Bridge, which dates from 1831.

A Hard Nut

A couple of travelling salesmen, between train waits, were checking up their order sheets.

"Hargood is a hard man to get an order from," said one.

"I didn't find it so," differed the other.

"You don't mean to say you got an order from him, do you?" questioned the first.

"I sure did," assured the other.

"What was it?"

"Get out!"

N. S. SCHOONER IS REPORTED DERELICT

(Montreal, Sept. 1.—A London cable to the Star says: "The derelict Nova Scotia schooner Governor Parr has been sighted about off the coast of Portugal. It is almost a year since she was abandoned Oct. 8, 1923.

Several attempts to sink her have failed.

PROVINCE IS IN GOOD CONDITION

Premier Veniot Tells Moncton Rotary Club of Progress Made

Moncton, Aug. 26.—This province passed through a period of depression better than did any other province in the Dominion, declared Premier Veniot in the course of his address before the Rotary Club at the weekly luncheon in the Brunswick Hotel today. All know the effect that war had on industry and the collapse that followed, and yet, the Premier said, the fall in the value of the agricultural products produced in New Brunswick from the peak of 1918 until the lowest point of the depression in 1921 was only \$10,000,000 or from \$58,000,000 to \$48,000,000. In Nova Scotia the drop was \$21,000,000, in Quebec, \$121,000,000 and in little P. E. I. it was \$5,000,000. In the same year, 1921, 1922, 1923, the products of the forests of New Brunswick exceeded in value the products of coal mines and steel mills of Nova Scotia by nearly \$1,000,000.

In opening his address, Premier Veniot dealt with the matter of good roads. Premier Veniot spoke of the praise which had been given the roads by a member of the Good Roads Association at St. Andrews, and in this respect he gave the credit to the engineering staff which was employed by the Department of Public Works.

HEBRIDEANS SAW FIRST FOX RANCH

Visiting Farmers Investigating Land Settlement Opportunities in Maritime Provinces Pleased with Prince Edward Island.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Aug. 25.—The visiting Hebridean farmers, who are investigating land settlement opportunities in the Maritime Provinces under the guidance of Father MacDonald spent yesterday on a tour through the eastern section of the Island and returned to the city last night enthusiastic in their praise of what they called the best farming section of Canada seen since their arrival a fortnight ago. At a number of points, they met people whose forefathers had emigrated from the Hebrides to Prince Edward Island a century ago and yesterday much animated conversation in Gaelic took place. They saw also their first fox ranch since coming to Canada.

Today they will leave for Moncton on a tour of New Brunswick.

CONVENT SCHOOL ON ANTICOSTI ISLAND

Senior Menier 'The Chocolate King' to Provide Necessary Funds for Higher Education of Island Children.

Through the beneficence of Senator Menier, the Chocolate King and owner of Anticosti Island, the island will shortly have a convent at which the children of residents may receive an education free of charge. Word of this effect was brought to Quebec last night by Mr. Valmore Bienvenue who, in company with Mr. Edgar Rochette and Dr. Emile Beaulieu, has just returned from the Island where they were received by Senator Menier.

It is the French Senator's purpose to endow the island with an educational institution of the highest order and while the convent but later their number will be added to as the need arises.

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Gascons

Miss Julia Chadore spent the weekend in Port Daniel the guest of Mrs. West.

Miss Winnie Montgomery has returned to her home in New Richmond after spending the past week here the guest of Miss Emma Jandrew.

Miss Corinne Dale of Ivy Hill was the guest of her cousin Miss Edna Dale Tuesday.

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(The Canadian Press.)

St. John, N. B., Aug. 21.—A campaign against tuberculosis to be undertaken soon by the New Brunswick Department of Health was announced by Hon. Dr. W. Roberts, Minister of Health, yesterday afternoon at the closing session of the 44th annual meeting of the New Brunswick Medical Society.

Other addresses during the afternoon were given by Dr. A. E. Chandler of Montreal, who dealt with drugs in the treatment of children; by Dr. John G. MacDowell, Halifax, who spoke regarding the care of prostatic cases; by Dr. William Warwick, St. John, respecting vital statistics in St. John; by Dr. E. F. Woodworth, Woodstock, on feeding babies.

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