

seemed unusually dirty. The present system of collection of garbage, which requires householders to place these conspicuously on the edges of the boulevards, in front or at the sides of houses, is a system which ought to be done away with rapidly. Everyone should take a just pride in seeing a clean city, and clean sidewalks and boulevards are required just as much as clean streets.

There should be a sidewalk and boulevard by-law, requiring all householders or owners to keep these clean and in good condition. But this could not be done where garbage is collected as at present.

All garbage and ashes, where there are no lanes to put receptacles in, should be gone in after by the collectors, and the unsightly barrels, boxes, tubs, etc., kept indoors. Newspapers on boulevards, sticks and stones, as well as dirt on sidewalks and boxes and all sorts of things displayed at shop fronts should be abolished. Surely it is time for our city fathers to look alive to the beauties of a clean, tidy city.

A by-law as indicated above seems urgently needed.

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**Flies** should be put to flight, or, better still, kept from flying. Our Health Officer is to be commended for the way he gets after what may be thought little things.

Attacking at breeding-time and screening all windows and outside doors will go a long way, but until a better system of garbage collection is established these flies will still be flying around.

Dr. Hastings is giving battle to a formidable host, but he will have our best prayers that his prowess will prevail.