USE PAINT, SOAP, AND MOWER VIGOROUSLY, RAKE UP YARDS; MAKE CITY CLEAN AS A WHISTLE

St. John Has a Reputation to Maintain as a Clean City—Now is the Time to Remove Ash Piles, Broken Boxes and Other Rubbish.

With nature bedecking herself in her most gorgeous raiment, and the whole city and country-side in process of being born anew, as it were, this season of the year brings home more forcibly than any other the fitness and apropos of the time-honored saying that "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." The civic authorities have proclaimed special Clean-Up Days, the ever alert citizens, of the City cannot fail to recognize the importance and advisability of engaging individually and collectively in a systematic clean-up offensive at this particular time.

Make It a Labor of Love

The Spring clean-up campaign, to be effective, must be thorough. Nothing that pertains to the improvement of the interior of the home or the beautification of home surroundings must be left undone. At first blush, such an ambitious programme might appear difficult of accomplishment, but the task, if task it is, becomes in reality a "Labor of Love" when undertaken systematically. The question may quite properly be asked: "What are the constituent elements of a thorough clean-up?" The renovation of the home and its surroundings depend to a large extent on their condition with the advent of Spring. In homes where rubbish and useless bric-a-brac have been allowed to accumulate for several months in cellars, garrets, sheds, cupboards, drawers and dingy corners, the task which confronts the householder calls for careful handling. Each room and corner must be cleaned in turn, and all unnecessary articles which mar the interior appearances of the home removed. The same rule applies to the exterior of the house, the lawn and yard. With the removal of the rubbish, and many other articles which may be designated as such, what is probably the most tedious and uninviting task in an annual clean-up is at an end.

Make the House and Surroundings Bright.

There then remains the ever pleasurable undertaking of giving the house and its surroundings that bright, snug, cheerful appearance which reflects happiness, contentment, prosperity and orderliness. You have probably noticed in the survey you made of the house and its surroundings that the woodwork, the ceilings, walls, and floors, the shutters and verandah lacked the "new" appearance of days long since past. You may have observed that the paint on the wood-work has become sombre and faded, that the paper on the walls and ceilings has lost its original freshness and is out of harmony with the setting of the room; that the floors are in bad need of a fresh coat of paint or varnish, or that the shutters, window and door frames have a shabby, weather-beaten appearance. Possibly all the defects described above do not exist, but your survey must have revealed that there is "room for improvement" somewhere inside or outside of the house.

With Varnish, Brush and Hammer.

When you have reached the stage in the cleanup process, it is time to bring the paint, varnish, and whitewash brush, the hammer and saw into play. After attending to all necessary repairs, such as mending fences, shutters, doors and roofs, and replacing decaying verandah floors, railings and posts, a generous application of paint is needed to restore the home to its former grandeur.

With your home renovated, you can still add materially to its home-like appearance, by giving a little attention to your lawns and yards. Have you ever experienced that feeling of enviousness that grips you as you pass in front of a neatly kept lawn, with its bright, multi-colored flower beds. Have you ever reflected that a few hours of labor, each week, will enable you to make your home just as attractive in this respect as your fellow-citizen's home. Not only the lawns, but the appearance of the passage ways and yards can be improved materially by the use of lawn seed and the planting of a few flowers.

While the task of beautifying the home and its surroundings is one that conduces to personal satisfaction, it achieves a greater purpose—that of maintaining St. John reputation as one of the cleanest and most attractive cities in the Dominion. Improving the home and its surroundings is, therefore, a matter of civic pride, and all citizens should have at heart the maintenance of the city's good name for attractiveness.

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REFUSES $5,000 FOR NEW JOCKEY STAR

Tia Juana, May 20.—A new sensation in silks has appeared here in the person of Charley Buell—a light boy who accepted his first mount at Tia Juana. W. L. Stanfield has refused $5,000 for the lad, "Red" Walker desiring to pay that sum for the laddie that he might take him east. Buell rides at 90 pounds and is a particularly vigorous finisher. At present his services are in great demand.

Miners Ready to Strike.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., May 26.—Awaiting official interpretation of the Indianapolis decision relative to the Lever Act, the Tri-District Convention of anthracite mine workers in session here, today, considering disposition of their wage controversy, adjourned until tomorrow without taking action.

The delegates insisted upon the adjournment in order that they might be advised by John L. Lewis, International President of the United Mine Workers as to whether the court's ruling would curb the government's use of the injunction in the event of a hard coal workers' strike.

Despite the opposition of their officials to strike agitation the delegates adopted a motion today which would permit the taking of a strike vote. The motion sets forth that a separate vote shall be taken on each of the propositions before the convention, which are as follows:

1. Acceptance of Secretary of Labor Wilson's contract, granting wage increases of about 17.85 per cent, and recognition of the union.

2. Handing of an ultimatum to the operators, to be followed by the submission of the entire controversy to a presidential commission if rejected by the employers.

3. Declaration of war on the coal operators by ordering a strike despite probable Government opposition.

Antwerp, May 20.—Officials in charge of the Olympic games to be held in August, have so far found it impossible to arrange a straightaway at the stadium for the 200 meter race—the nearest Olympic equivalent to the American 220 yard dash.

The maximum possible length of a straight track in the stadium is only slightly above a hundred yards and the 200 meter race probably will be run with one gradual elipitical curve in the course.

Antwerp, May 20.—Athletes who wish to train for the Olympic Games at Antwerp would find training in a low altitude preferable. Antwerp is only a few feet, perhaps 6, above the sea-level and the climate generally is about that of London—some fog and a bit of murkiness.

As to what effect this climate would have on athletes trained in a high altitude, none of the atmospheric experts in Belgium ventures a prediction. During August, at which time the games are to be held, the weather at Antwerp is usually warm and perhaps as dry as any other time of the year. Records show that rain is comparatively rare during this month.

Excited Citizen (rushing into police station): "I want a detective."

Inspectr: "What do you want a detective for?"

Excited Citizen: "Well, there's a fight going on in front of my house, and I want him to find a policeman."

KING OF GREECE WANTS WIFE TO BE MADE QUEEN

Will Ask Grecian Parliament to Legalize His Marriage With Grecian Beauty.

VENIZELOS FAVORS GRANTING REQUEST

Is at Present in Paris Paying Visit to His Wife Who is Living There.

Paris, May 26.—King Alexander of Greece has come to Paris to see his morganatic wife, Mlle Manos who lives in a Paris hotel near the Arc de Triumph, having been driven from Greece by gossiping tongues. When the Greek Parliament meets again King Alexander will ask it to make Mlle. Manos the Queen of Greece, and give her unquestioned rights to preside in the Royal Palace of Athens.

King Alexander married Mlle. Manos last November.

When Alexander was a little boy the head of the Royal Stables was Colonel Manos, who had a beautiful little daughter. She and the youthful Prince became fast friends. When Alexander's grandfather died and Constantine came to the throne both the daughter of Colonel Manos and Alexander were in full youth and their friendship and close association were known to all Athens. But no one was then grievously disturbed that Prince Alexander had a sweetheart who was not of Royal blood, for his elder brother George was the apparent heir to the throne.

Then the war brought many changes and King Constantine and his heir found it convenient to remove their place of abode from Athens to Switzerland and Alexander became King. He then faced the problem of whether he should give up his sweetheart and childhood friend. He decided in the negative and evidently took the stand that a girl of old Greek family has as much right to be Queen of her country as some princess who knew not Greece and who probably would not come to like it.

King Alexander used to take Mlle. Manos for almost daily rides in the suburbs of the capital, and one day last November he proposed that they be married. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride by the Archmandrite of Athens and Alexander took his bride home to the Palace.

Wagging Tongues.

Tongues began to wag. There was a veritable storm of talk, and despite announcements of the King that he had been lawfully married by the Archmandrite the criticism kept up and increased when the Metropolite of Athens who outranks the Archmandrite and whose approval was needed to make the marriage civilly binding, appeared in no hurry to take action.

While King Alexander maintained to every one his right to marry whom he pleased and to install her in his palace, his wife became so tired and angered at the gossip that two months ago, with her mother and little sister, she came to live in Paris.

King Alexander left behind in Athens became disconsolate. He had no member of his family in Greece and his morganatic marriage estranged many of his former associates. Fifteen days ago he informed Premier Venizelos that he desired to come to Paris to see his wife. It is said that the Premier nodded his gray head in assent, and that the King set about his preparations for the journey. It was merely announced that he was coming to Paris on a personal visit incognito.

He reached the Gare Lyon on Friday, and was taken at once to the Majestic Hotel, where he met Mlle. Manos. Yesterday they spent the afternoon in long walks in the woods of Versailles and yesterday evening dined with friends. They are shopping together today, and were seen in a carriage in the Rue de la Prix. She was wearing a tan suit with a black hat, and he was in civilian clothes and a straw hat.

It is not announced how long he will stay, but it is understood his wife will not return with him just yet.

Venizelos' Views

Under the Greek constitution Greek princes cannot have voluntarily morganatic marriages, as for instance, German princes and Russian grand dukes could. Parliamentary action is necessary to say whether Mlle. Manos can become the Queen of Greece or remain the official consort of the King. He had the right to marry another in that case. But those who know him say the democratic King believes he has a right to pick his Queen, and it is rumored that Venizelos will ask Parliament to "vote right." What the Premier will be able to do with the stubborn Metropolite remains to be seen.

BURGLARY COVER IS VERY ANCIENT IT WOULD SEEM

Now Growing in Popularity, Due to Increase of Crime.

One of the reactions of the period following the close of the war was a decided increase in the number of robberies, thefts, and kindred crimes reported in the newspapers. Canada was not exempt from this so-called "crime wave," and from the larger cities were reported numerous cases of house-breaking, shopbreaking and "hold-ups."

One result of the increase in crime was the growth in popularity of burglary insurance. Companies writing burglary insurance in Canada report that their business last year exceeded by far the records for all previous years, and their statements are backed up by the Government figures. Up to a year or two ago burglary insurance in Canada was written in a very haphazard manner. It had been one of the side lines that was not very profitable and for which there was very little demand. But with the increased popularity came the need for better systems of rating. The logical development was the formation during the year of a Canadian Burglary Underwriters' Association.

Burglary Cover Not New.

Insurance men are prone to consider burglary insurance as something new, having a history that in any event does not go back more than twenty-five years. But as a matter of fact burglary insurance in some form or another has existed for many centuries. Today there is a quaint old town in England that boasts of having inaugurated the first system of burglary insurance.

The city of Ripon, in Yorkshire, has a history dating back 1,056 years. It received its charter from King Alfred the Great in 866. In some distant period, following the granting of the charter, the aldermen of the city passed a law compelling all citizens to pay two pence a year to a general fund, out of which restitution was made to any citizen whose home was robbed between the hours of nine at night and five o'clock in the morning. And that these ancients understood something about classification of risks is evidenced by the fact that the premium was four pence for any householder who had a door or gate opening on to a back street.

In order that the townspeople should know the exact hour at which their insurance became effective a horn was sounded on the market place at nine o'clock each evening. After hundreds of years the practice is still continued, and the town wakeman in picturesque raiment sounds his horn on the market place each evening at nine o'clock.

But while burglary insurance has an ancient and honorable history of many centuries it has only become popular in Canada during the past few years. There are some twenty companies now writing it in Canada.

And not only is insurance being written on offices, stores and banks, but private residences are being widely covered. In fact some of the largest companies in Canada only write burglary insurance on private residences.

In determining the rates to be charged, the property in the home is divided into two classes, according to the risk involved. A watch, a diamond stick pin, an engraving, or some such article, easily movable and especially desirable to an inquisitive burglary, is rated Class "A" and insurance must be for at a higher rate than in the case of a parlor rag, a divanette, a kitchen cabinet or household account book, which though it may have a great value, is not of particular importance to a burglar in imminent danger of being forced to make a quick getaway.

And in Class "A" are included "wines and liquors." There is a reason. Thefts from the many well-stocked cellars of the country have been particularly numerous, and having due regard for the desirability of the contents of these cellars the underwriters have included them in Class "A" subject to the highest rate.

Rates for insurance in Class A and Class B are as follows:

	—Class—	
Per $1,000—	A.	B.
$ 1,000 to $ 5,000	$7.00	$3.00
5,000 to 10,000	6.00	3.00
10,000 to 25,000	5.00	3.00
25,000 and over	4.00	3.00

The insurance under Class "A" must be equal to at least 50 per cent. of the total amount of fire insurance carried.

Lower Rate for Theft Only.

The insurance companies refuse to assume liability for any loss not immediately reported to the police. When a claim is made there is the closest co-operation between the companies and the police in an attempt to recover the stolen article or articles. Many stolen articles have been recovered by officials of the burglary insurance companies.

Naturally in claims of this kind it is necessary to rely a great deal upon the honesty of the claimant, although all claims are strictly investigated. The need for such investigation is shown by a typical case quoted by a Toronto underwriter. A family reported the loss of a ring and placed upon it a valuation of $100. They asked $100 for the loss of the ring. Some time later the ring was recovered and was found to be worth less than $5.

Burglary insurance is written also on mercantile establishments, and their annual premiums per thousand range from $18 to $45 according to the class of the risk. Other branches of this form of insurance include insurance on paymasters, bank messengers, offices, banks, etc., each with a separate rating.

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SUGAR BEING HELD IN CUBAN PORTS

One Million Tons in Warehouses Now Awaiting Advance in Price.

New York, May 26.—A prediction that the price of sugar would soar to 27 or 28 cents a pound within 48 hours was made today by Raymond M. Wilson, sugar broker, testifying before the Lusk Committee, investigating alleged profiteering in sugar and other commodities.

This statement followed the disclosure by George Henry Finlay, another witness, that more than a quarter of a billion dollars have been loaned by American banks to concerns in Cuba to enable them to hold sugar.

Mr. Finlay, who was the first witness called when the hearing was resumed today, testified that about 650,000 tons of sugar were being held in Cuban ports, and added that many planters have stored their entire crops in warehouses in the interior.

Asked whether he thought the planters took this action in order to wait for further rises in prices, Mr. Finlay answered in the affirmative.

Asked for any other information in his possession which might throw light on the existing high prices, he called attention to 400,000 tons of sugar not previously counted in the estimates of the available supply, which, he said, brings the total amount of sugar available to refiners in Cuba up to 1,000,000 tons.

COMMITTEE TO HANDLE BATTLEFIELD MEMORIALS

Order in Council Passed to Carry Out Preliminary Steps in Connection With Work.

Ottawa, May 26—(Canadian Press)—In order to carry out preliminary steps in connection with Canadian battlefield memorials, the Governor-in-Council has authorized the appointment of certain officers to take charge of this work. Brig.-General H. T. Hughes has been detailed as chief engineer in charge of the work, and Captain Maurice Pope, of the Royal Canadian Engineers, is detailed his assistant. Lieut.-Colonel J. T. Gagnon, Canadian Army Pay Corps, has been detailed to act as financial officer, and Lieutenant-Colonel N. M. Ross, is nominated as officer in charge of landscape work. The order-in-council appointing these officers sets forth that a special committee of the House of Commons was appointed to inquire into and report on the whole question of battlefield memorials.

As the recommendations of this committee have not as yet been fully carried out, the Minister of Militia thinks it wise that a chief engineer be appointed to carry on the preliminary work, thus avoiding delay. The Chief Engineer is authorized to prepare plans and specifications and call for tenders for such construction work as may be necessary, other than that which will be dealt with by the Honorary Commission yet to be appointed. His authority to do these things is subject to the approval of the High Commissioner for Canada in London.

The American Army Rifle And Pistol

These will be Used by at Least One European Team—The Belgians at Olympic Meet, if American Authorities Will Consent.

Antwerp, May 24.—If the American authorities consent, the American army rifle and pistol will be used by at least one European team—the Belgians—in the marksmanship events of the Seventh Olympiad, to be held at Waterloo, near Brussels, July 24-31.

Belgian army experts, after studying the results of the army shooting contests held during the past year in France, have decided that the American weapons are superior to all others and have requested the American embassy at Brussels to secure permission to use them.

Much interest is attached to the marksmanship events of this Olympiad because of the tests they are expected to give of war-time sharpshooting experiences. Entries close June 23 and practically every European nation, as well as North and South American teams, will be represented.

She'd enjoy a couple of hours with the Veterans at their great Spring Fair, St. Andrew's Rink.

London messenger boy who wouldn't admit that New York is more wonderful than the British metropolis might as well go home now. He's "queered" himself with a lot of cheety people who thought New York was half the continent of North America.

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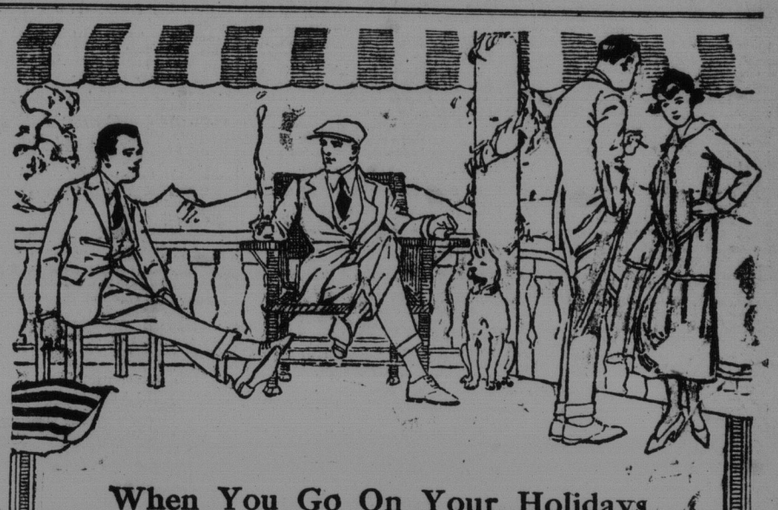

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