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MANURE HEAPS AND HEALTH

Human nature is a queer condition. It tackles effects and allows causes to remain undisturbed. One of the things which stand out prominently in this regard is the flies of Canada.

Following the well beaten path, it has swatted the fly in the hope of exterminating them, calling every member of the family to help. The public has killed them by the dozens in the homes while permitting them to propagate by the million in refuse heaps.

After several years of fly-swatting the ludicrousness of the effort to abolish that disease-carrying pest by the swatting process, broke upon the people and led them to investigate.

The result has been the discovery that the removal of their breeding places is a sure means of eliminating them. So certain of this is the Provincial Board of Health that it has had legislation passed ordering municipalities to remove refuse heaps and to place manure in proper receptacles.

In the case of manure piles it is ordered that the bottom of the containing box shall be of concrete and have a flue sufficiently high to carry off the odor and be emptied at frequent intervals during the summer months.

This is a simple expedient. No reasonable person possessing a farm of this class, should object. Particularly when it is situated in the heart of a city. Yet because a municipality has always had manure piles and flies, objection is raised to a sensible course of action.

The Berlin Board of Health is in the right in desiring to mitigate a pronounced odor nuisance and prevent the breeding of flies by starving them out for health's sake.

It is to be hoped that they will enforce the health regulations and receive the support of the city council. Owners of uncovered and ill-smelling manure piles will object at first. But once they have installed proper receptacles, will acquiesce that the improvement is a good thing for themselves and the public.

The installation of sewers removed the old-fashioned parliament building and the community gained in health by the disappearance. There is a deal to be won for the community by the elimination of the manure pile nuisance and freedom from the fly's irons.

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BY THE WAY

Harry Thaw may yet prove his sanity if his money hangs out.

The profits obtained by middlemen on binoculars sold to the militia department show that the bounty on wolves should be made effective.

Italy, says a news despatch, will send soldiers and sailors to the Dardanelles. For so doing she will receive a helping of Turkey at the banquet to come.

From General French down come reports of the high soldierly qualities of the Canadian volunteers. The commander expressed the wish that he had more of them.

W. F. Garhand, M.P. of Carleton admitted that he had received the profits on a government drug contract. These were afterwards returned but the mischief has been done. Public opinion will request that he make his exit from parliamentary life.

Speaking of humorous laws the Ohio Journal said:—"Once in a while something really funny happens in this sad old world, such as the charming Indiana suffragette belated and horrified discovery that the election law says that the curtain in front of the voting booth must be of sufficient height from the floor to make the lower limbs of the voter plainly visible to the election officers.

WINDSOR'S PAVING PROGRESS

Windsor Record.—"More yardage of concrete pavements was laid in Windsor last year than in any other city of Canada. This is the interesting fact revealed in a comparative statement gathered by the Canadian Municipal Journal.

This is really the pioneer city in Canada, if not in the world, for the development of concrete pavements. Windsor owes much to Mr. George S. Hanes, its former city engineer, and at present the mayor of North Vancouver, for the progress made in paving work, especially along the lines of cement thoroughfares.

On the initiative of the late John Davis, who was mayor for five successive terms, the city started in on a big pavement program, calling for the expenditure of \$20,000 a year for ten years, or \$200,000 in all.

First, we tried what has become known as the "old macadam" style of pavements, in which broken stone was used. This did not prove very satisfactory but we did not desire to let up in the paving work. City Engineer Hanes got hold of the idea of putting down concrete instead of macadam. It was done in a small way at first. We had parts laid with and without reinforcements or expansion joints. The worst handicap that City Engineer Hanes had to contend with was the limitation in price, so that the city might exercise the option of concrete instead of macadam without additional expense.

It was also during the regime of City Engineer Hanes that resurfacing with tar and gravel was tried. So far as known, Windsor was the first city in Canada, if not anywhere else, to try to resurfacing method

of preserving the concrete. The scheme did not give the most satisfactory results but was taken up and perfected in Ann Arbor.

Since then we have gone on and laid many miles of concrete under the supervision of City Engineer Brian, who has become recognized as one of the leading experts on concrete pavements.

In this connection The Record is glad to say that the pavements were never kept in better order than they have been this year, due to the teamwork and co-operation of the city engineer, Street Commissioner Hillman, and Ald. Walker, chairman of the board of works.

Signs of Sapience.

"Pa, why do people call the owl the bird of wisdom?" "Because he's got sense enough not to come out and fly around until all boys of your age are in bed."

Paradoxical.

(Washington Star.) Oh, civilization calls each man a brother And bids all contention be mute; Yet as we grow civilized, somehow or other, The farther and harder we shoot.

Acid Stomachs Are Dangerous

Nine-tenths of All Stomach Trouble Said to Be Due to Acidity

A Physician's Advice on Cause and Cure.

A famous physcian whose successful researches into the cause and cure of stomach and intestinal diseases have earned for him an international reputation, said in the course of a recent lecture that nearly all intestinal troubles, as well as many diseases of the vital organs, were directly traceable to a deranged condition of the stomach which in turn was due nine times out of ten to excessive acidity, commonly termed sour stomach or heartburn, which not only irritated and inflamed the delicate lining of the stomach, but also set up gastritis and stomach ulcers.

It is interesting to note that he condemns the use of patent medicines as well as of medical treatment for the stomach, stating that he and his colleagues have secured remarkable results by the use of ordinary bisurated magnesia, which, by neutralizing the acidity of the food, removes the source of the trouble. He contends that it is as foolish to treat the stomach itself as it would be for a man who stepped on a tack to rub liniment on the foot without first removing the tack. Remove the tack and the foot will heal itself—neutralize the acid and the stomach troubles will disappear, irritating medicines and medical treatments are useless, so long as the contents of the stomach remain acid; remove the acidity, and there will be no need for medicine—the inflamed lining of the stomach will then heal itself. Sufferers from acidity, sour stomach or heartburn should get a small bottle of bisurated magnesia from their druggist, and take a teaspoonful in a quarter of a glass of hot or cold water after meals, repeating in fifteen minutes, if necessary, this being the dose which the doctor has found most efficacious in all cases.

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