

## Protection of Forests from Fire

The value of the Canadian forests can hardly be over-estimated, although the destruction of small portions of them by fires amounts annually to a serious item. Anyone who has been in a district over which a fire has recently passed will appreciate the utter ruin of the district for several years for the tourist, the hunter, and the angler; and we believe that every true sportsman is glad to do anything in his power to prevent destruction of the forests and will observe carefully the following suggestions of the fire rangers:—

"The greatest care should be exercised between April 1st and October 31st, and if a fire is made in the forest, or a distance of less than half a mile therefrom, or upon any island, for cooking or obtaining warmth, the maker should—

1st. Select a locality in the neighborhood of which there is the smallest quantity of vegetable matter, dead wood, branches, brush wood, dry leaves or resinous trees;

2nd. Clear the place in which he is about to light the fire by removing all vegetable matter, dead trees, branches, brush wood, and dry leaves, from the soil within a radius of ten feet from the fire;

3rd. Exercise and observe every reasonable care and precaution to prevent such fire from spreading, and carefully extinguish the same before quitting the place.

"Great care should be exercised to see that burning matches, ashes of pipes and lighted cigars, or burning gun wadding, or any other burning substance, should be completely extinguished before the sportsman leaves the spot.

"Too much care cannot be exercised in these important matters."

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.NOTE—This will cancel sixth and previous issues.