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## SOCIETY OF FRIENDS IN YEARLY SESSION

Philadelphia, Pa., May 9—More than 1,200 delegates and visitors, who come from many parts of the United States and Canada, assembled in this city today for the opening of the yearly meeting of the Society of Friends. The meeting will continue through next week.

The first few days will be given over to organization and devotional services. The principal items of business will be the consideration of the report of the Society of Friends. The meeting will continue through next week. The Hicksites take an active interest in endeavors to suppress the tobacco habit. They also engage prominent speakers to lecture on the evils of intemperance. The committee on equal rights also employ lecturers, distributes literature, and seeks to influence legislation.

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"He lost four pieces of bone out of where it was lanced, and two pieces came from his mouth; he has lost all of his cheek bone, and his eye was drawn down. I took him to doctors in St. John, Moncton, and Amherst, and all wanted me to let him go under an operation. He was so small I told them that if he was going to die he might as well die as he was as to go there and be all cut to pieces, so I declined to have the operation done. I told them I was going to try Burdock Blood Bitters, as I had heard my mother talk so much about it. I got a bottle, and when it was about half gone noticed it was doing good, and before many days the sore stopped running, and healed up, and the abscess has never broken out again. This happened nearly six years ago, so you can see I have great faith in Burdock Blood Bitters, and I can say with all my heart that it is the best blood medicine in the world."

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## MAKING THE FARM HOME ATTRACTIVE

Bare ground, free from grass free as yet, even from the weeds of the failing promise, now show up the farm premises at their ugliest and their worst. But is is a good time to stop and take a look at them and to study the situation one in detail says Canadian Countryman.

It was in April last that the writer visited a beautiful and, in a general way, a well kept farm. Its owner was prosperous and prided himself upon his fertile and well-tilled fields. Years before he had erected fine buildings. But with the lapse of time other things had lapsed as well. As agricultural implements and old wagons, lapsed they were parked about the barnyard. Scattered about amongst these were and odds and ends of lumber boards and scraps of all kinds.

It would make a long and doleful list to tell of all that had gathered there and remained undisturbed. But it would have made a good bonfire, and the basis of some satisfactory business with the first available rag and metal merchant. What it actually did make was a series of highly dangerous traps for live stocks of all kinds and an eyesore to everyone except the owner who had become so accustomed to its presence there that he did not even notice it.

The story is told because there is a tendency for everyone to overlook the objectionable features of a lot that they are surrounded with every day. It is told because there is more or less of a necessity for a real good clean-up on every farm at least once a year. It is told at the present time because the present time is a good one to go at it, when the snow is gone and the grass as yet covers nothing from sight. Take a good look at it and be sure that there is nothing left that others will see more readily than you do yourself.

Take a good look at the house while the ground is still bare. Bare foundations are not attractive. No body can really afford to have his home look mean and unattractive. Ten dollars worth of ornamental shrubs and climbing vines such as clematis and Boston ivy would add one hundred dollars worth of beauty to the appearance of any home which has not got it as well as of real selling value. But when we speak in terms of sentiment, which one ought to feel for his home the value is still greater. Next in the way of ornamental decoration, perhaps a concrete walk from stable to house, from house to driveway, perhaps a new coat of paint might go well with a few ornamental shrubs and climbing vines. If it is needed for appearance paint is also needed much more as a preservative to the wood. It really costs more to have the house remain ugly than it does to make it a beautiful and attractive home.

It pays to take a good long look at the farm premises now that the snow is gone and the grass and weeds have not appeared.

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investigations or exposures. Hence public opinion has little chance to make itself felt. Under these circumstances, the wonder is that our political life has been as clean as it has or that there is so little graft in public services. Nevertheless, many of our best publicists believe that graft and corrupt are growing and that a determined effort must be made to awaken the public conscience as to its dangers.

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON CITY PLANING

That the town planning movement in Canada has come to stay and will have to be reckoned with in the future is demonstrated by the fact that it has already engaged the attention of several of our provincial legislatures. The year 1912 saw comprehensive town planning acts passed in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, and, last year, Alberta led the way for the Western Provinces. Ontario also has an act applicable to cities with a population of fifty thousand and upwards.

At the forthcoming International Conference on City Planning Toronto, May 25-27, a draft town-planning act, which it is hoped will be as a model to all Canadian provinces, will be submitted to the delegates present by a special committee appointed by the Commission of Conservation. Frank criticism, and full discussion of this proposed act will be invited. After being amended in accordance with the resolutions of the conference, copies will be sent to each provincial government, urging them to enact legislation along the lines proposed.

As now drafted, the Bill provides for the preparing and carrying out of town planning projects by a Local Board in each city or town, subject to the approval of a Central Town-Planning Board for the whole province. Projects will apply chiefly to land likely to be used for building purposes but may, in certain circumstances include land already built upon or land unsuitable for building. Provision is made for the compensation of private owners if injuriously affected and for the local authority recovering half of the unearned increment if property values are increased. The Central Board may act on its own initiative if the Local Board fails to do its duty or if no local Boards exist.

Under such an act, the growth of every town will be regulated so that streets may be of adequate width and in accord with the general plan of the town; housing congestion will not be permitted; sufficient open space will be reserved for parks, squares and other municipal purposes and health, amenity and convenience will be given due consideration in all new building areas and so far as possible, in old ones.

A play just produced in New York is called "Vik" and deals with the early history of the Swiss republic. Burr McIntosh has returned to the stage in a dramatization of the "Cordelia Blossom" stories.

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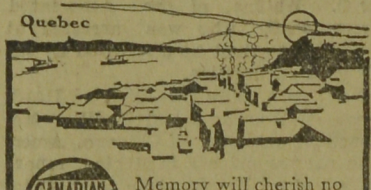
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