

THE ACADIAN.

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Editorial Notes.

A government commission is visiting all counties of the province investigating the Fenian bounty claims. The Commission is composed of Mr. Paet, Secretary of the Militia Department, Mr. White, of the same department, and a local man for each county to be visited.

The Liberal organ at Kentville must be at present in a very bad way. We judge from its own utterances. The editor acknowledges in his last number that he is "counting the hours" until his political friends again come into power. Evidently he has a long and wearisome task before him.

THE ACADIAN must ask to be excused from entering into a controversy with a writer in Monday's Western Chronicle, who asks what he evidently regards as a very knotty question. We suspect that the aforesaid scribbler of this kind, even under the wing of the editorial "we."

The school deserves more attention from the parents. How many farmers in this county ever visit the school where their children are in training. Fortunately the teachers are nearly always of the higher class in morals, and usually highly efficient also; probably that accounts for the general carelessness above referred to; but it would be better for parents, teachers and children if there were a little more active interest in the schools.

If your neighbor is prosperous, let him prosper. Don't grudge growth or fruitfulness. Say a good word for him and let it go at that. Don't be a knacker. Your turn will come. No one man is the whole show. If you see that the town is moving along nicely, feel good about it. Help things along, shove a little. Try to get some of the benefit yourself. Don't stand around like a chilly old cadaver. Don't waste your time feeling sore because some fellow has a little more sand and sense than you have. Do a little hustling yourself. Don't be a knacker.

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Wins Success in Field of Music.

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The Apple Maggot or Railroad Worm.

A short time ago I issued a note of warning against this pest but at that time the department here did not know of any infestation in the Annapolis fruit belt. Information had come to us of a reported outbreak around Jandstown but we could not locate it. All our men were very busy with the San Jose inspection and it did not seem advisable to interfere with that work. As soon as our men began inspection work west of Annapolis a careful lookout for this pest was maintained. In order to determine the presence of this pest every orchard had to be closely inspected and hundreds of apples had to be cut open in the search. Mr. A. Kelsall's party was delegated to search the district west from Bear River and further east should the pest be found. Assisted by Mr. H. G. Payne the territory between Bear River on the east and as far west as any infestation could be found was closely inspected. As a result of this inspection Mr. Kelsall reports finding apple maggot generally distributed in the district from Bear River to about three miles west of Digby on the main Annapolis road. The centre of the infestation is around Acaciaville where several badly infested orchards were found. Unfortunately the maggot has been discovered quite abundantly in wild apples as well. The pest was found most prevalent in bough sweet, greentains and astrachans as well as the softer kinds of apples. A small infestation was found about a mile east of the Bear River bridge but none for several miles further east.

It would thus seem that the present outbreaks are practically confined to the district from Bear River west to about three miles beyond Digby to the Yarmouth road. In order that the distribution of this pest be restricted as much as possible I am placing Mr. Kelsall in the infested district to give all necessary help and warn fruit growers of the necessity of active control measures. All dropped fruit should be gathered every four or five days and fed or burned, not buried. Fruit growers should also closely inspect all wild apple trees and see that any infested fruit is destroyed. When in doubt write the department here and every effort will be made to aid in the work.

If the fruit growers in the infested district will see to it that all windfalls are destroyed by cooking or feeding within a few days after they have fallen it will mean a great reduction in the pest for the coming year. Next year all these orchards as well as wild apple trees should be carefully sprayed with lead arsenate just after the blossoms fall and then about two weeks later. These are the two regular codling moth sprays and in large commercial orchards in badly infested districts have proven successful in controlling this pest. However, full directions will be issued in the spring dealing with the necessary control measures.

At this time it may also be well to warn all buyers to avoid shipping fruit from the infested district for packing purposes. For in this way calls are so often thrown away and if the maggots are present in the fruit as they frequently are new outbreaks are bound to occur.

Local News.

We presume there never was a newspaper in any locality that gave all the local happenings. It is often that someone comes or goes that the reporter does not see. It happens that a family is missed several times. They get the impression that the editor does not care to mention them. This is a mistake. In most country towns the local work is the hardest work connected with a newspaper. A man may be a good editorial writer but a flat failure in the local work, and vice versa. Editorial material is obtained by study, by reading the newspapers, sometimes by using the scissors. Personal and local happenings can't be read and clipped from other papers. It takes physical as well as mental exertion to get out two columns of local news in a town of this size. Most people take the paper to get the local happenings. Don't be afraid to tell the editor that you have friends visiting you. There are lots of people who are interested in their friends. You owe it as a duty to them to let your friends know of their songs. Perhaps you think the paper should print names, but just see if the paper doesn't treat you right if you give it a chance.

The Boy Scouts.

On Friday evening those boys who are to take part in the play will meet at the new Club Rooms at seven sharp for the first rehearsal. On Saturday evening the regulars will meet at the Scoutmaster's for practice. The Annual Scout Entertainment will be given about the last of October and if present plans materialize it will exceed those of previous years. Parties driven to all points of interest and at reasonable rates by expert and careful drivers. Special attention given to wedding parties. WOLFVILLE GAZETTE, Phone 20 11.

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