

CENTRAL EXPERIMENTAL FARM,

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SIR,—I beg to submit for your approval a circular prepared by Mr. J. W. Eastham, B.Sc., Chief Assistant, Division of Botany, dealing with Powdery Scab of Potatoes (*Spongospora subterranea* (Wallr.) Johns.). It has been prepared at my request to meet the need for information on this disease, which has recently become of considerable importance in this country on account of the new regulations passed by the United States authorities, controlling the importation of potatoes into that country.

Mr. Eastham, from his experience in plant pathology and his close study of the disease, is well qualified to furnish such information and advice, and I entirely agree with the statements and recommendations made in this circular.

In view of the necessity for an educational campaign amongst the potato growers of the Dominion, I would recommend its immediate publication as "Farmers' Circular No. 5" of the Division of Botany.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

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