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APPLE MAGGOT OR RAILROAD WORM

All Spoiled Impo Fruit Should be Burned, Not Dumped and Spread of the Pest

The Apple Maggot (*Rhagoletis pomonella*) is one of the serious pests of the apple, particularly the early and fall varieties. The maggot is the larva of a fly, a small two-winged insect belonging to the family Trypetidae. In this family are a number of serious fruit pests, all difficult to combat on account of their mode of life. The Apple Maggot is quite widely distributed throughout the North-Eastern United States, parts of Ontario and Quebec. It is also reported from several sections of our province but it has not done any serious damage as yet.

The work of this pest may be readily recognized. The maggot lives in the pulp, burrowing back and forth between the core and the skin. The burrows are discolored, generally brown with small cavities here and there in the flesh. Several maggots may be found in a single apply and the flesh so honey-combed as to be almost ready to fall to pieces. In these burrows will be found a small footless maggot about three-eighths of an inch long, yellowish-white in color. These maggots remain in the fruit until mature, that is after the apples drop. The maggots then leave the fruit and change to small yellowish brown pupae. These pupae transform to the adults, two winged flies, the following summer. The fly is somewhat smaller than the house fly, of a general black color with yellowish head and legs and four dark bands on each wing. The eggs are laid throughout the summer just beneath the skin of the apple. As the adults appear at various times during the summer the egg laying extends over a considerable period. There is thus only one brood a season.

At the present time this pest has not been found in the fruit belt extending from Annapolis to Windsor. However, every day sees considerable early fruit coming into our province from the New England States and various parts of Ontario. The writer found nearly every apple infested in a small shipment of early fruit from some point in Ontario. This fruit is being distributed all over the province and all damaged or old specimens are dumped outside, under ideal conditions for the maggots to mature and transform to adults the following season. In this way we may look for several new points of infestation each year unless care is exercised in the handling of this kind of fruit. This note is especially prepared to warn all merchants and those buying early apples to see that all spoiled fruits are carefully burned or fed to animals, not dumped in some convenient place outside, thus allowing this pest to secure a foothold in our province. All fruit growers should exercise care and examine their apples and if any suspicious fruit is found to send samples to the Department of Agriculture at Truro, N. S.

In infested orchards about the only efficient means of control known at present is the picking up and feeding or burning all dropped fruit. This should be done about every week to ten days. Another efficient means is to allow the hogs to roam through the orchard and they will take care of all the dropped apples.

It is to be hoped that all fruit growers, who are at all suspicious that their fruit is infested will adopt the control measures suggested and thus rid their orchards of a dangerous pest.

Fortunately this pest does not spread rapidly and may confine its attack to only a few trees in a single orchard for a few years before spreading to adjacent trees of the same variety. This habit is a very fortunate one and often enables the fruit grower if he exercises care to not only control it but to exterminate it when the infestation is a limited one. It is to be hoped that all persons interested in our fruit industry will be on the lookout for this pest and immediately report its occurrence to the Provincial Entomologist at Truro, who will at once recommend treatment and endeavor to prevent the spread of the pest.

ROBT. MATHESON,
Provincial Entomologist,
Truro, N. S.

From Bridgetown to New Glasgow by Auto.

In an Overland auto, with Mr. Ayard Beeler at the wheel, your success along the lines of comfort, speed and safety is assured. Mr. Beeler with a few others, whose good fortune it was to make up the touring party, started last Thursday, Aug. 19, on a trip from Bridgetown to New Glasgow. The journey leads through the garden of Nova Scotia to the great mines of the province, from the fruit covered hills of Canada's fairest province to the dark coal pits and iron industries of another portion of the richest province in the Dominion.

From Bridgetown to New Glasgow you get a taste of every kind of road in the universe. Up and down, good and bad, rocky and smooth, narrow and wide, crooked and straight. Certain portions of this great thoroughfare are severe tests to a man's grace—if he has any. But for the most part the road is about the best that the province possesses. The asphalt road making must fall to Western Nova Scotia. From Kings to Yarmouth are our smoothest and best highways.

A flying trip such as the Beeler party took last week opens one's eyes to the marvellous possibilities of our province by the sea. Our sons and daughters have not yet been awakened out of sleep. The dream of far-off fields is yet upon us and so the great tide of western emigration still flows on.

Have you ever stopped to think of all the varied industries a short auto drive of a little more than two hundred miles will embrace? From the fruitful Annapolis Valley to the coal hills of Pictou you can raise every thing that a nation craves for. Out of all the varied products you can build a navy and equip the same. The old cry of "Poor Nova Scotia" is the fool's cry of the past. The only poor thing is our faith. The only useless thing is our discouragement. We were struck, too, with the unprecedented development in transportation. The old days of coaches and especially slow coaches, are forever gone. Now you have the speed and comfort of the automobile.

Coupled with delight and utmost safety thus the world moves on in mighty strides of advance and we doubt not that

"The thoughts of men are widened
With the progress of the suns."
—Contributed.

St. James' Church Annual Sunday School Picnic

An ideal day, a large good-natured, enthusiastic crowd a super-abundance of provision for refreshment and entertainment, these were the things which combined to make this annual event an unqualified success. The younger portion of the party assembled at the church at 8 a.m., whence, in five hay wagons, they were taken to Hampton. Other vehicles had been chartered privately until, all arriving about noon, had twenty-five horses to care for, whilst from one hundred and fifty to two hundred individuals scattered here and there. The inevitable game of base ball attracted the old folks, whilst the shore provided ample amusement for the young.

Dinner was served at sharp noon, and in that fashion for which this picnic has become famous.

At two o'clock racing was in order, the straight races being varied with egg and spoon, threading needle, bog-tossing, and sacks. After this an aquatic exhibition was given to the great delight of the spectators, old and young. But all days have an end. Light, like the tide, was beginning to ebb, so prizes were distributed and the word given for the home journey to commence, Bridgetown being safely reached by 7.30.

Where one and all did their utmost to make the day a success it would be invidious to mention any individual names, but the committee feel particularly indebted to those who so generously provided teams and gave their services for the transportation of the children, to the donors of the prizes, and also to Mr. J. W. Beckwith for the loan of his field.

Church Notes—Parish of St. James

ST. JAMES CHURCH.
At the congregational meeting held on Monday evening, after full discussion, it was decided to accept Mr. A. Whitman's contract for the work needed to be done in the church preparatory to consider the further question of heating. With this in view the meeting was adjourned to meet again on Monday, Sept. 8.

ST. MARY'S, BELLEISLE.
At a recent meeting of the congregation attending St. Mary's, it was decided to purchase a Bell organ from the Johnson Piano & Organ Company, Halifax. The instrument will be installed in a few days. A pleasing feature about this is the necessary funds being available the organ will be installed free of any debt.

At the same meeting it was decided to hold a combined congregational and Sunday School picnic on Saturday next (30th inst) at Milberry lake, starting from the church at 8 a.m.

LOWER GRANVILLE

Lower Granville, Aug. 25.—Mrs. Harold Clarke and little son, and Miss Ella Schaffner, left for Boston on Saturday last.

Mr. Ritsco Longmire spent the week end with friends at Granville Centre.

Mrs. W. A. Greaves and children are spending this week with friends at Belleisle.

Miss E. Betts, who has been visiting friends in Digby and Deep Brook, returned home yesterday.

Mr. Fred Connors of Lynn, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Connors.

Mr. Howard Crocus has men employed and is having the foundation laid for the new barn he is going to have built.

DOUGLASVILLE

Douglasville, Aug. 25.—Mrs. Bertha Gibson spent a few days last week with her niece, Mrs. Norman Crawford.

Mr. Leonard Bruce of Boston, is visiting friends at this place.

Miss Gladys Slocumb of Middleton, spent the 24th with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Slocumb.

Mrs. Hallet Daniels and Mrs. Milledge Slocumb spent the 21st with friends at Outram.

Mr. Thomas Charlton and family of Williamston, spent Sunday with Mrs. Charlton's sister, Mrs. C. H. Ullman.

G. H. Leaman writing to the Truro Sun says that estimates give the number of eggs to the pound of shad spawn at 55,000 and that he has taken as high as three pounds of spawn from one mother shad or 165,000 eggs from one fish. Mr. Leaman emphasizes the necessity of protecting the mother fish if the shad fishing industry is to be saved.

Serious Fire at Belleisle

The most serious fire in years in Belleisle occurred at noon on Friday last. It commenced on the property of Mrs. Hiram Young occupied by Mr. Archie Bent. Mr. Bent, who does considerable general smithing work, had kindled a fire in the yard for the purpose of accomplishing a piece of work he had in hand and it is presumed that a spark must have been carried from this by the wind and lodged unobserved on the roof of the barn near by. The first intimation of trouble came from his little boy who noticed the smoke coming from the barn roof. Unfortunately Mr. Bent loaned his ladder and before another effective one could be secured, the fire had eaten its way through the roof and dropped into the hay (about two tons) stored in the barn. With a rapidity than can better be imagined than described the fire spread to all parts of the building including the half used as a second workshop, destroying everything—gasoline engine and tools.

As the workshop end of the building was separated from the dwelling house by only a few feet every attention had now to be given to saving that house. Fortunately it was dinner hour, word had been quickly passed and a large number of men had gathered. Every one worked with a will carrying water from the nearby brook and removing things from the house. The dwelling was eventually saved by the placing of poles against the burning barn and pushing it bodily to the north. But the disaster was not to end here. Whilst this had been in progress, the strong wind blowing to the east had carried fire in some form about 150 yards and lodged it on Mr. Frank Bent's wood-house and stable, and this was only observed when it was too late to save either of its contents. Again attention had to be turned to the dwelling house and again by dint of most strenuous labor under trying circumstances house and furniture, (which had all been removed from the house) was saved. But the story was not yet finished. Situate about seventy-five or one hundred yards further to the east lives Mr. Clifford and Miss Annie Bent. Hither fire was also carried igniting the carriage house and here was the heaviest individual loss. Mr. Frank Bent lost wood house full of wood, hog pen—the two hogs being so badly burned as to necessitate their being killed) and a flock of hens Mr. Clifford Bent lost a light carriage an express wagon, two sleighs, a cream separator, harness, and the many sundries usually lying about a carriage house, beside the building itself being totally burnt and six tons of hay. Here, too, the house was in imminent danger and everything was removed from it, but, for a third time, the house was saved, and here, fortunately, the heroic workers were able to get the fire under control.

Had it been otherwise, it is hard to say where the great matter which the little spark had kindled would have ended. Everything was dry as tinder, water was scarce, and with such a high wind prevailing no man's property to the east was safe, and every one was becoming fearful for his own.

Too much praise cannot be given to the friends and neighbors from near and far who worked so valiantly against such odds. Mrs. Hiram Young, Mr. Archie Bent, Mr. Frank Bent, and Mr. Clifford Bent appreciate the help so ungrudgingly given and as they may be unable to thank each one individually, we are asked to do so publicly on their behalf.

We understand the only insurance was the sum of \$100 held by Mr. Clifford Bent on his carriage house. The combined loss is undoubtedly serious, but a feeling of thankfulness pervades the neighborhood that in each case the home was saved and that the men were able to bring the fire to an end where they did.

The beacon light, which has shown the way into St. John harbor for over one hundred years, was set on fire and burned last week, wiping out the wooden structure. The remainder of the beacon is to be removed as dredging operations destroyed its usefulness. The first beacon was built in 1810 and the last one in 1866.

Bridgetown-Wolfville Tennis Tournament

A very interesting and warmly contested tournament was held on the grounds of the Bridgetown Tennis and Quoit Club on Friday and Saturday last between the members of the Wolfville Tennis Club and the members of the Bridgetown Tennis Club. A great deal of interest was centered on this contest, owing to the fact that these Clubs had met before in the last few years, each having won twice, and it seemed as if this match was to test the supremacy of the two Clubs. The first day Bridgetown was decidedly ahead, winning five of the eight events played and leading with twenty-four games, but on Saturday the Wolfville team rallied, gathered together their strength and succeeded in finally winning out by eight games the events being even, each Club winning nine events. The courts were in splendid condition, and as one of the visiting members, who had recently returned from the Nova Scotia tournament, expressed himself, far superior to the courts on which the Nova Scotia tournament was played. Friday evening the visiting members were entertained at a dance held in the Ruggles Block, Mitchell's orchestra having been engaged for the occasion, and before their departure for home expressed their pleasure at the regal way they were entertained during their short stay in town.

The following is a summary of the events and games played:

Gents' Singles
R. W. Tufts defeated LeMoine Ruggles. 6-1, 6-3.
Austin Chute defeated Henry B. Hicks. 6-2, 6-3.
Ronald Ruggles defeated Dr. J. F. Roach. 6-2, 6-0.
A. F. Little defeated E. R. H. Tucker. 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.
F. R. Beckwith defeated W. H. Chase. 6-4, 6-3.

Ladies' Singles
Miss Enid Tufts defeated Miss L. Ruggles. 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Miss M. DeWitt defeated Mrs. F. R. Fay. 6-3, 6-2.
Miss Marjorie Chute defeated Miss Constance Lloyd. 6-2, 6-0.
Miss Dodo Lloyd defeated Miss Nellie DeWitt. 6-1, 0-6, 6-4.

Gents' Doubles
R. W. Tufts and A. Chute defeated LeMoine Ruggles and H. B. Hicks. 6-2, 6-1.
Dr. J. T. Roach and E. R. H. Tucker defeated F. R. Beckwith and Ronald Ruggles. 6-1, 0-6, 6-2.
A. F. Little and A. F. Hiltz defeated D. Borden and R. Borden. 6-0, 6-3.

Ladies' Doubles
Mrs. F. R. Fay and Miss L. Ruggles defeated Miss Enid Tufts and Miss M. DeWitt. 6-0, 6-3.
Miss M. Chute and Miss N. DeWitt defeated Misses Constance and Dodo Lloyd. 6-2, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles
A. F. Little and Mrs. F. R. Fay defeated Dr. J. T. Roach and Miss M. DeWitt. 6-2, 6-1.
Austin Chute and Miss Chute defeated Henry B. Hicks and Mrs. Hicks. 6-1, 6-1.
F. R. Beckwith and Miss C. Lloyd defeated D. Borden and Miss W. DeWitt. 6-1, 6-0.

It is said that the five men who assisted Thaw in his escape from Mattawan prison received \$25,000 for the job. Evelyn Nesbit expressed great joy at the news of his arrest.

Tupperville Defeats Round Hill at Tennis

Eight members of the Tupperville Tennis Club met a corresponding number of the Round Hill Club on Friday afternoon at the Simpson Court. The playing began at three o'clock and continued until six. Much interest was displayed on both sides and each game closely contested, Tupperville keeping the lead and finally winning by seven games.

At the close of the contest the Round Hill players were escorted to a nearby field where the annual Methodist Sunday School picnic was being held. Supper was served, followed by a general good time. Round Hill was voted "allright" by the Tupperville Club and all parted excellent friends.

The following is the score:—

Mixed Doubles.
Miss M. Armstrong and Mr. S. Kent defeated Miss G. Williams and Mr. H. McLaughlin. 2-0.
Miss Gibson and Mr. R. Baily defeated Miss A. Kent and Mr. K. Bent. 2-1.
Miss E. Bent and Mr. L. Bent defeated Miss G. Sargent and Mr. C. LeCain. 2-0.
Miss F. Rice and Mr. L. FitzRandolph defeated Miss M. Bent and Mr. O. Armstrong. 2-0.

Ladies' Doubles.
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Miss M. Bent defeated Miss F. Rice. 2-0.

Men's Singles.
Mr. H. McLaughlin defeated Mr. S. Kent. 2-1.
Mr. K. Bent defeated Mr. R. Baily. 2-0.
Mr. L. FitzRandolph defeated Mr. O. Armstrong. 2-0.
Mr. C. LeCain defeated Mr. L. Bent. 2-1.

Games won: Tupperville 21; Round Hill 14.

Annapolis County Sunday School Association

The annual convention of the Annapolis County S. S. Association will be held at Torbrook, Sept. 15. The first session will be 10 a.m. Each Sunday School is asked to appoint delegates who will be sure to go, and such names are to be sent to J. H. Parker, Torbrook Mines, stating whether they wish to be met at Nictaux Falls or Wilnot station, and time of arrival. If driving, please mention same.

All delegates and others in attendance will be entertained.

W. C. MacPHERSON,
Secty-Treas.

A GOOD ENTRY LIST FOR THE NOVA SCOTIA PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

Only one more week and the Provincial Exhibition will be in full swing. The entries so far received are in many classes larger than last year, and it is especially pleasing to note that many of the Exhibitors in Stock are those who have not exhibited in previous years.

One department that appeals to many visitors is that of the Fine Arts. Dr. Ritchie, Superintendent, states that the gallery will have an unusually large display. It is customary for the public to wait until the second day before visiting the grounds with the belief that the first day is "get ready day." This year it is planned to have everything ready for the opening on Wednesday at 2 p.m. The aeroplane man has arrived and will be ready for business by the first of the week. One of the best horse races on the programme will be on the opening day when nine horses will state the Starter in the 2.17 Trot and Pace, and if any one can pick the winner he is a wizard.

The full vaudeville programme concluding with the best display of fireworks ever seen at this exhibition will be put on before the Grand Stand beginning Wednesday evening.

CHEAP FARES TO TORONTO EXHIBITION.

In connection with the Canadian national exhibition at Toronto, which will be held this year from August 23, until September 8, the Intercolonial Railway will give very low excursion rates which will give the opportunity to many to visit the Queen City on the occasion of its great annual fair.


The Toronto fair is the largest and most attractive of annual exhibitions in America, and this year new permanent buildings have been constructed and its extensive boundaries enlarged by new boulevards. Aside from the attractions of the exhibition a visit to Toronto at this season is sure to be enjoyable especially in view of the very low rates prevailing. From Truro the round trip will be \$25.95, good going Aug. 21, 23, 25, 26 and 27 and Sept. 3 and 4. A special rate of \$20.20 will prevail on Aug. 22 and 23 and on Sept. 2. All tickets are good to return Sept. 10. Maritime Province travellers will have their choice of two through vestibuled trains, the Ocean Limited and the Maritime Express, both of which connect at Bonaventure Union Station, Montreal, with the through Grand Trunk trains for Toronto. It will be well for intending travellers to apply early for reservations.

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