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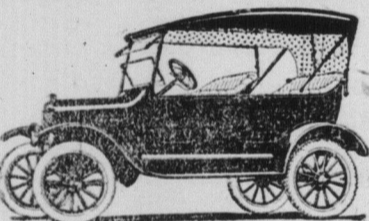
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Mr. R. J. Shaffner has begun work on his new residence. Mrs. R. Ritchie is the new clerk in C. F. A. Patterson's store. Mr. and Mrs. Crofton Whitman welcomed a little daughter the 6th. Mrs. H. W. Phinney, of Wolfville, has been visiting friends in town. Miss Phoebe Apt. of Lower Granville, is clerking in H. F. Sanford's store. The Baptist parsonage is being improved by the addition of a new piazza. Miss Nita Bent, of Amherst, is visiting her brother and wife, Colonel and Mrs. Bent. Mr. and Mrs. Stephens, of Los Angeles, Cal., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. A. Patterson. Mr. Edgar Shaffner and family have moved into their home in town. We welcome them in our midst. Miss Muriel Phinney, of Halifax, spent a few days at home last week, returning again on Tuesday. Prof. W. A. Bradshaw, of Hantsport, was a guest last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Phinney. Mrs. W. H. Phinney spent Monday with her daughter, Mrs. Maxwell Shaffner, at South Williamston. Messrs. Charles and Owen Ollerhead have sold their valuable farm to Mr. Charles Warwick, of St. John. We regret to learn of little Gerald Banks' accident while playing on the school ground on Friday afternoon. A number of young people from Lawrence town attended the Rally held in the Paradise church on Tuesday evening, May 9th, in connection with the ministerial quarterly. Rev. H. T. Jones exchanged pulpits with Rev. F. J. Armitage, of Windsor, on Sunday, the 7th. Mr. Armitage preached to a large and appreciative audience who were glad to meet their former pastor. The Lawrence town orchestra assisted the choir and the Paradise quartette rendered two selections which were much appreciated. The Primary Department of the Baptist Sunday School is preparing for graduation, about sixteen pupils to be promoted to the Junior Department by the Supplemental Graded course. The County Superintendent would like to hear of other S. S. grading systematically and kindly send in reports to Mrs. C. S. Balcom by the middle of July.

A NEW ORCHARD PEST

(By Prof. W. H. Brittain, Truro, N.S.)

The apple sucker is a well-known enemy of the apple in Europe, but has only recently been discovered in Nova Scotia, where its presence in the Wolfville district was first detected two years ago. It was doubtless originally introduced on nursery stock, as the eggs are laid upon the twigs. It is now increasing rapidly and spreading, chiefly in an easterly direction. The injury of the insect is caused by sucking the juice from leaves and blossoms, weakening them and causing them to shrivel and die in severe cases. In ordinary numbers the insect is not nearly so injurious as many native insects, but as they sometimes become extremely abundant, it is a pest that must be reckoned with by the fruit growers. The young insects secrete a considerable quantity of sweet, whitish, sticky liquid, which may drip from the trees upon passing objects and is one of the most conspicuous features of their work. Though hatching occurs as the young leaves are unfolding, control measures have been found impracticable until the "blossom pink" spray, owing to the habit of the insect of entering the opening buds, where it remains immune to the treatment until the flower stalks have spread apart, preparatory to blossoming. At this period they may be destroyed by nicotine sprays or dusts, though this treatment is expensive and it is hoped that more satisfactory methods may be devised.

GREAT GROWTH IN CANADA'S TRADE

A comparison of Dominion trade in the fiscal years 1900-01; 1910-11 and 1920-21 was given to the House of Commons recently in reply to a question asked by G. G. Coote, Progressive member for MacLeod, Alberta. In the fiscal year 1900-01 the total trade was \$372,209,837, of which \$17,700,694 were imports entered for consumption and \$194,509,143 were exports. Ten years later in the fiscal year 1910-11 the total trade had grown to a valuation of \$741,745,837, of which \$451,745,108 was for imports and \$290,000,729 for exports. At the end of the next decade both imports and exports showed a great growth, the total trade then being valued at \$2,450,587,901, of which \$1,240,158,882 was for imports and \$1,210,429,019 for exports.

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AMERICANS TO MAKE TEST CASE OF U. S. SCHOONER SEIZED OUTSIDE THREE MILE LIMIT

Boston.—The recent seizure by coast-guard cutters of the 32-ton schooner Grace and Ruby, run by the United States, with 20,000 quarters of liquor aboard, is to be made a test case and carried to the Supreme Court of the United States to determine whether the Government has any jurisdiction over vessels outside the three mile limit. This was announced by a United States attorney, who is acting under special instructions from Attorney General Daugherty in Washington. On the decision he said would depend the release or forfeiture of run-runners seized anywhere in the country. The Government has asked that the ship be forfeited. The answer of Walter D. Sweeney, of Yarmouth, N. S., the owner, has just been filed. He contends that the Federal courts have no jurisdiction and that the seizure was made contrary to international law and also the laws of the United States. More than three miles from the nearest United States shores, the Grace and Ruby was taken in tow by the cutter Tampa some distance off Salem on February 23rd, and brought here.

Forfeiture proceedings begun by the Government in the cases of a dozen other run-runners, including the Henry L. Marshall, that was captured off the New Jersey coast, have been held pending the decision on the Grace and Ruby. It is understood that instructions have been sent from Washington to District Attorney Harri s, to get the Grace and Ruby case before the high tribunal at the earliest moment.

MOVEMENT FOR BETTER TRAIN SERVICE

That vexed question: the re-establishment of the "Owl" train service between Kentville and Annapolis, and better train service in general throughout the Valley, was the topic of a lively discussion in Victoria Hall last Friday afternoon when a strong committee of delegates from Middle-ton, Aylesford, Kentville, Berwick, Waterville and Somerset met for the purpose of furthering plans for appealing to the railway for the restoration of this much needed passenger and express service. Mr. W. P. Parker was appointed chairman of the meeting, and R. W. Harris, Aylesford, Secretary.

Among the prominent and influential citizens of Western Kings and Annapolis Counties who were present and took part in the discussion were A. L. Davidson, ex-M.P. for Annapolis County; W. G. Parsons, F. E. Cox and O. P. Goucher, Middleton; Mr. Reid, Aylesford; F. M. Chute, Waterville; H. G. Harris, Kentville; T. H. Morse, Somerset, and G. P. Raymond, Berwick. The unanimous opinion of the meeting was that the present railway service in this, the most prosperous and progressive fruit section of the Annapolis Valley, which, by the way, is recognized as being the most productive and prosperous portion of this fair Dominion, is entirely inadequate for present day needs, both as respects passenger and express accommodation. All of those present felt that they were not appealing for a favor from the Railway Commission to whom the matter will be presented by the following gentlemen named as executive committee to represent the united Boards of Trade, and other sections not fortunate enough to have a Board of Trade in their midst: A. L. Davidson, Middleton; A. E. McMahon, Kentville; J. N. Chute, Berwick; R. W. Harris, Aylesford; F. M. Chute, Waterville.—Berwick Register.

MIDDLETON NOTES

Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Fales arrived home this week after a month's trip to Boston and Washington. Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Davidson, of Boston, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kelley, Wilmot. Mr. F. R. Elliott, M.P.P., has received news of the death of his brother, Dr. J. H. Elliott, Chicago. Mrs. C. A. Mumford was the hostess at an exceedingly jolly ladies' Bridge on Friday evening, given in honor of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. LeMoine, of Amherst. Prize winners: Mrs. Feindel and Mrs. Cecil Parsons. Mayor W. G. Parsons entertained the members of the Town Council and town officers at dinner on Saturday evening, at his residence on School Street. The guests were: Ex-Mayor Durling, Deputy Mayor W. F. C. Parsons, Town Solicitor A. L. Davidson, Town Clerk S. H. Morrison, Kirkpatrick and Power. Two others were unable to be present. The evening was afterwards passed very pleasantly at the Princess Theatre.

Sport lovers in our town will be glad to know that permission has been given by the Town Council to enlarge the tennis grounds. New courts are to be made on part of the old baseball diamond, thus giving a chance for four or five sets to be played simultaneously. The balance of the athletic grounds will be ploughed and then seeded down. We hope, in time, to make this one of the "beauty spots" of the town. —Halifax Chronicle.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON FORESTRY

(By Canadian Forestry Association.)

Q. Is there such a thing as a scientific fire finder used in Canadian forestry services for the detection of forest fires from lookout towers? A. In several parts of the Dominion our government forest services utilize what is called the Osborne forest fire finder. This is a most interesting device mounted in lookout towers whereby the ranger in charge can quickly and exactly locate from a whiff of smoke on the horizon the position of the fire and with that knowledge can direct his men where to go. The fire finder cannot be described in much detail but roughly consists of a metal disc on which is mounted a map of the district. The lookout station represents the centre of the disc. By swinging the disc so that the fighting device is leveled directly on the fire, the observer is able to fix the location of the trouble with precision and then proceeds to telephone to the rangers nearest the fire giving them instructions where to go.

Q. How much of Canada's forests is denuded each year for the manufacture of pulp and paper? A. About four million cords are cut each year in this country, valued in the rough at forty-five million dollars and from which pulp and paper products are produced to the value of over two hundred million dollars. More than ninety per cent. of these values is furnished by the wood of four kinds of trees of which spruce is chief.

Q. Is there any reliable information as to how much of our Dominion forests has been sacrificed to forest fires in the past century? A. Dr. C. D. Howe, head of the Forest School of the University of Toronto, estimates that from one half to two-thirds of the forested area of Canada, or, in other words, around one million square miles has been burned within the past fifty-five years. Dr. Howe further estimates that the forest areas have been so denuded of the larger-sized timbers that to-day less than twenty per cent. of the land area of the country contains timber of the size demanded by a modern lumber mill. Dr. Howe's comment as to the effect of forest fires is highly interesting. He says that "of the million square miles of our forest inheritance that has been devastated by fire, much has been burned not only once but two, three, and even half a dozen times. These repeated fires on the same area render abortive Nature's attempt to reclothe the old burns with commercial valuable trees. Whole townships that once supported magnificent forests of pine or spruce are now, because of repeated burning, covered with worthless brush or trees of no market value."

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