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of other institutions of the same kind in Eastern Canada. However, so many of Nova Scotia farmers' sons are required to pick and pack the apples and to gather in the potatoes and root crops that it is impossible for them to leave home until the fall season is about over. The attendance of students is good and everything bids fair for the ultimate success of this useful institution.

Mr. P. J. Shaw, B.A., has been appointed lecturer in horticulture at the college, in succession to Prof. F. C. Sears, who last spring accepted a position on the horticultural staff of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Mr. Shaw spent last summer studying at Cornell and Amherst, Mass., and also visited various fruit sections in New York state and spent a few days at St. Anne de Bellevue and the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa. Mr. Shaw was born and brought up on a fruit farm near Berwick, N.S. He is a graduate of Dalhousie College and

was one of the Macdonald-Robertson group of school teachers who took courses in Nature Study at the prominent United States and Canadian institutions and, subsequently, took charge of this work in his own province. His training is excellent and his work has been of a high order, so that we feel sure in predicting that the Nova Scotia college will maintain its standing along horticultural, as well as other lines of work.

The Department of Agriculture will shortly send inspectors into the area which was discovered to have been infested with the brown-tail moth last spring. Their report will be looked forward to with interest and the subsequent procedure of the Department will largely depend upon the standing of affairs as found by these inspectors. In any case, no effort will be spared to try to eradicate if possible, or at any rate keep in control, this most troublesome insect pest.

## Progress at Horticultural Experiment Station

H. S. Peart, B.S.A., Director, Jordan Harbor, Ontario

THE property at Jordan Harbor, Ont., now known as "The Horticultural Experiment Station," was very generously donated to the Ontario Department of Agriculture by Mr. M. F. Rittenhouse last year, and soon afterwards work was commenced in preparing it for experimental work. The farm, which contains about 90 acres, was formerly two small places.

Last year a start was made in removing old buildings, cross fences and dead trees. During the winter, the wood-lot was cleaned up, forest weeds removed and about four acres made ready for reforestation. This spring a number of seedlings were planted and these have made a fair

growth. This work is to be continued next year under the direction of the Forestry Department of the Ontario Agricultural College. Most of the farm was seeded with red clover in oats, so that very little has been done along horticultural lines this season.

Last June, Mr. W. H. Day, of the O.A.C., made a complete survey of the property and prepared a plan for tile draining which was undertaken at once. During the next 10 weeks a number of men and teams were busy at the drainage work and 10½ miles of tile were laid. This outlay at the beginning should very materially increase the value of the farm for the work which is to be done for the horticultural public of Ontario. About half a mile more drain will be laid this fall.

\* A portion of an address delivered at the convention of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association last month.

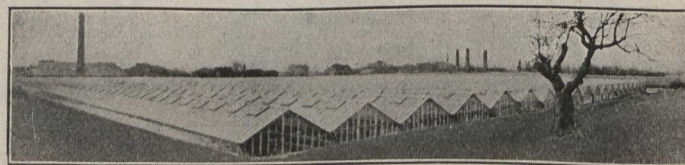
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