

In addition to the foregoing legislation which has reference only to insect pests and fungal diseases affecting fruit trees, there is a section (No. 24) in the *Municipal Amendment Act of Ontario* (6 Edw. VII, Chap. 34), passed in 1906, which enacts that councils in cities may pass by-laws to require owners of trees to destroy Tussock Moths (*Heimerocampa leucostigma*) and, if the owners refuse or neglect to do so, the councils may, after giving ten days notice, have the work done by officers appointed by them at the expense of the owners.

#### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Owing to the invasion of Canada by the Colorado Potato Beetle (*Leptinotarsa decemlineata*) and its rapid spread, the Province of Prince Edward Island passed in 1883 'An Act to Prevent the Spread of the Potato Bug in Prince Edward Island,' as the growing of potatoes was an important form of agricultural activity on the island. In 1895 the increasing prevalence of Black Knot on plum and cherry trees was responsible for the enactment by the Provincial Legislature of 'An Act to Prevent the Spread of Black Knot on Plum and Cherry Trees.'

These Acts are still on the statute books and are given below:—

#### AN ACT TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE POTATO BUG IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

(Assented to April 27, 1883.)

Whereas it is expedient to provide against the spread of the Preamble.  
Potato Bug in this province:

Be it therefore enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:—

1. The Board of School Trustees in the several school districts <sup>Meeting.</sup> in this Island, except Charlottetown, shall insert in the notices of holding the Annual School Meetings under 'The Public Schools Act, 1877,' a notice or intimation in form A, hereto annexed, that, immediately after the close of said meeting a meeting will be held at the same place for the purposes of this Act. All persons qualified <sup>Qualification of voters.</sup> to vote at said School Meeting shall be eligible to vote at the meetings to be held under this Act.

2. The said meeting may adjourn from time to time, as a <sup>Meeting may adjourn.</sup> majority of voters present shall determine.

3. The Secretary of the Board of School Trustees shall be <sup>Who shall be Secretary and Chairman.</sup> Secretary of said meeting, and in case of a vacancy in said office of Secretary of said Board, or in case of his absence or inability to attend, a majority of the voters present shall appoint one in his stead. The said meeting or a majority of them shall appoint a Chairman from time to time.

4. The meeting shall appoint one or more fit or proper person <sup>Inspectors to be appointed.</sup> or persons to act as inspectors, for the purposes of this Act, in the said district, who shall act until the next annual meeting, or until a successor or successors are appointed.

5. It shall be the duty of such inspector or inspectors so appointed, on being notified in writing by any ratepayer in the district, that the Colorado potato beetle (*Doryphora decemlineata*) or ten-lined spearmann, or the three-lined leaf beetle (*Lenatri-lineata*), all of which shall be known in this Act as the 'Potato Bug,' has appeared on the vines of potatoes, in any field within the school <sup>Duty of Inspectors.</sup>