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✦ Notes and Comments. ✦

SPRAYING PLUM TREES for leaf spot appears to pay well judging by results given last year by Mr. S. A. Beach, of Geneva, N. Y. The total yield of marketable fruit, in pounds, was 45 per cent. greater where the trees were sprayed, than where they were not sprayed. The trees were sprayed twice with Bordeaux mixture, once about May 25th and once about three weeks later.

THE NOVA SCOTIA F. G. A. met at Wolfville, on the 20th of January, and passed a resolution inviting the Ontario Association to co operate with them in engaging the Federal Government to grant more liberal aid in establishing and conducting fruit experiment stations in the various provinces. If the Nova Scotian Department of Agriculture would establish fruit experiment stations, such as the Minister of Agriculture for On-

tario has done in this Province, perhaps the Federal Government would co-operate. The Dominion is utilizing these stations in Ontario, and spending some money in making them more effective.

SPRAYING a large orchard like the one at "Maplehurst," of nearly one hundred acres of all varieties of fruit, is no small undertaking. It requires about one hundred pounds of copper sulphate, twelve pounds of Paris green and one hundred pounds of lime for each application. It greens everything, men, horses, clothing, all come in from the field a sight to behold. Clothing used for this must be kept for the purpose, for it is never fit to be seen at other work. But it improves the vigor of the trees and lessens the attacks of both fungi and insects—so it pays. The only question is, how often? We do not think many can be