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On Timely Topics of Plant Pests.

From the Division of Economic Zoology-Department of Agriculture. By H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, Harrisburg, Pa., May 4, 1909. No. 1.

TREATMENT OF SEED POTATOES TO PREVENT SCAB.

The subject of the treatment of seed potatoes to prevent scab was brought to the attention of the Division of Economic Zoology of the Department of Agriculture of Pennsylvania by Mr. R. J. Belt of Wells-ville, York Co., Pa., Treasurer of the Wells Whip Company. Mr. Belt treated his potatoes with bichloride of mercury, having dissolved two ounces of corrosive sublimate in 15 gallons of water. Three times this quantity of the mixture was used on 40 bushels of potatoes.

State Zoologist H. A. Surface replied that he prefers formalin to corrosive sublimate for scab treatment. This is because the formalin, or formaldehyde, dissolves immediately in water, it being a liquid itself when in the commercial form, and it does not corrode any material by coming in contact with and drying upon it as the corrosive sublimate might do. After having killed the disease germs it evaporates and is gone, so that no evil after-effects can come from it. It is quickly and easily prepared, and its action upon one's hand will not be anywhere near as serious as the corrosive sublimate solution.

To prepare the mixture put 30 gallons of water into a barrel, to which add one pint of the formalin solution. This about equals one-half ounce to a gallon. This may appear weak, but it is strong enough to destroy the scab germs. Put the potatoes in bags, and the bags into barrels, and pour enough of the foregoing solution of formalin and water into the barrel to cover the bags, and let stand for an hour. After that take the potatoes out of the bags and let them drain. Other potatoes can be put in the bags and immersed for the treatment. The liquid can be used again and again as long as any remains. It should be kept covered to prevent escape of the fumes or evaporation, and it would be well to strengthen it occasionally by adding a little more of the solution. The potatoes can be treated either before or after cutting, but if they are not to be planted soon, dipping before cutting is best. They can be dried in crates or in barrels, or spread on the barn floor, after the same has been swept completely and scrubbed with a solution of the formalin or bichloride, whichever is being used.

DO NOT SPRAY BLOSSOMS.

The owners of fruit trees who intend spraying their trees to prevent diseases and kill the codling moth larva are advised by Prof. Surface of the Division of Economic Zoology of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture not to spray the blossoms, but to wait until after the petals have dropped, or more than three-fourths are down. Injury will be caused to the blossoms if they are sprayed when open, but the spraying should not be delayed after the blossoms have fallen. To secure the best results the spray must be applied within six days after the blossoms all, and a second spraying should be done ten days or two weeks after the first application to prove effectual.

The following are the objections to spraying tree when in bloom: 1. There is no definite pest for which the spray is applicable at that time, and each spraying should be for something definite.

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2. The very young fruit is liable to be injured by the spray liquid falling upon it at this time. Spraying when in bloom is a very sure way of thinning the fruit crop, but it is very unscientific and unsatisfactory.

3. Spraying blossoms with poison results in the destruction of bees. Bees are necessary for fertilization and setting of the fruit.

4. The delay of only a short time, or until just after the blossoms fall, give the proper time for spraying for the codling moth and for plant diseases and does not result in the destruction of fruit or bees. The proper spraying material is the Bordeaux Mixture to which an arsenical poison such as Paris green or arsenate of lead is added. There are two spraying strengths for this liquid according to the hardness of the tree or plant to be sprayed. Spray the apple, pear, quince and potato with the strong formula which calls for 3 lbs. bluestone and 4 lbs. of quick lime in 50 gallons of water, with one or two lbs. of arsenate of lead added to this. If Paris green is used, instead of the arsenate of lead 1/2 lb. should be used to each 50 gallons.

The weak formula calls for one-half of the above quantities of bluestone, lime and arsenate of lead in 50 gallons of water. This is used on peach and plum trees on account of their tender bark, and on similar delicate plants. Peach and plum trees do not need to be sprayed immediately after blossoming, but these and the grapes should be sprayed for wormy fruit, making the application after the fruit reaches the size of buckshot.

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Democratic State Committee.

Date of State Convention Referred to Central Committee.

The Democratic State Executive Committee at a meeting on Tuesday afternoon decided to refer to the Central Committee the selection of a date for this year's State convention. The State Central Committee will meet for this purpose July 1. It is probable that a date in the latter part of August will be selected for the convention.

State Chairman Arthur G. Dewalt of Allentown, presided at Tuesday's meeting. Other members present were: Chas. P. Donnelly, of Philadelphia; William J. Brennan, of Pittsburg; Dr. J. C. Amig, of Lewistown, and John F. Anzora, of Reading. Messrs. Brennan and Dewalt were appointed as a subcommittee to pass upon changes in the rule of various county committees.

Attorneys Reprimanded.

Because no cases were ready for trial at the opening of court on Monday morning, Judge Evans stated that if such a thing occurred again he would continue the cases, and discharge the jurors.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice: Mr. Chas. Appelman, Mrs. Mary Keiner; Cards: Mr. Jerry C. Lord, (3), Mrs. Letha Rhone, Miss Hannah Rutan (2).

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Holidays.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

EXILES OF THE NORTH.

White Men Along Cumberland Sound Where News is Two Years Old.

Probably the last white man to hear of the death of Pope Leo will be the Rev. James Peck, an Anglican missionary laboring among the Esquimaux in Cumberland Sound, an inlet on the vast unexplored area north of Hudson Bay. He did not learn of the death of Queen Victoria for eighteen months after its occurrence, when a storm-tossed whaler entered the region and imparted to him the news in July 1902. This devoted cleric has established himself in that far-off country in order to bring to the pagan Esquimaux the blessings of the Christian faith; but the extreme to which man will go in the pursuit of wealth are illustrated by the fact that there are two whaling stations in the same region, the principals of which, a German and a Scotchman, have been thirty and twenty-seven years there respectively, without once leaving.

Cumberland Sound is 250 miles north of Hudson Strait, and is one of the most desolate, cheerless regions in the world. Two whaling stations are established there, at Kekkerton and Blackhead, and the fishing is done by the Esquimaux. These, through intercourse with civilized men and the use of civilized weapons, have quite lost their native art of killing the leviathans with the primitive harpoons of bone and flint which their ancestors hurled with stout arms from sealskin kayaks, string out the great creatures by inflated skin buoys attached to ropes of walrus hide.

Instead, the Esquimaux of to-day pursue the hunt after the civilized fashion—in stout wooden boats, with steel harpoons and lines of hemp—and the industry pays chiefly because such labor is so cheap, being paid for in goods and necessities of life. As has been the experience with aboriginal races elsewhere, the Esquimaux can no longer return to his primitive condition of existence. He would certainly starve if he did, and, therefore, he must rely on the white man, to whom he becomes a dependent—a slave, indeed, in all but the name.

At Kekkerton the factor is a Mr. Mulch, a Scotchman, who for twenty-seven years has remained wedded to his solitary existence. The Blackhead station is controlled by Mr. Sheridan, a German, who has been thirty years there. Both have amassed considerable wealth, but evince no inclination to return to the outer world, with all the marvels of science and art which have marked the advancement of the last generation. Every two years a whaling steamer from Scotland visits them, bringing supplies for them and their Esquimaux followers and removing the stocks of whale oil, walrusbone, hides, ivory and other articles of trade accumulated in the meantime.

With these self-exiled settlers money has no meaning. Everything is done by barter; every service paid for with a fragment of iron or a pound of biscuit. The profits of the venture go to the credit of their accounts in Aberdeen, where the products are marketed, and, possibly, when beyond their labor, these two recluses may make their way back to civilization to mourn the lost advantages they are now too old to enjoy.

They live in frame houses, the only ones besides the clergyman's in that northern land. They fare on canned foods, eked out with venison from the musk ox of the interior or steak from the whales captured, a by no means unappetizing dish. But they are not averse to the raw seal, bear and walrus which Esquimaux affect for no man can maintain his strength more than a season or two in that latitude without consuming large quantities of raw fat meat.—Montreal Star.

The Power of a Crowd.

A French writer, whose book on "The Crowd" should be read by every thoughtful American, has pointed out the danger, in these times, of free public expression, that may come from the crowd, or the mob, misled, as it too commonly is, by any silver-tongued blatherskite, or self-seeking demagogue, who may, for the time being, command attention. With the extension of the right of suffrage, public opinion can make its power felt at the polls, by the election of those who represent it. If the public mind can be influenced by glib-tongued orators against any class of the community, and if a muck-raking press, which always seeks to follow, rather than to lead, aids in stirring up a disturbance, it is easy to understand how the most violent, inequitable, and unjust laws can be passed, to injure certain interests, and even certain individuals. The anti-trust craze has gone to such length in some of our States, notably in Texas, that no business has been left unmolested, yet, in these very States, and notably in Texas, combinations of labor agreements by farmers, to regulate and control the prices of commodities and of labor, have not been disturbed.—Jasper in Leslie's Weekly.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Levari Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be sold at public sale at the Court House, in the Sheriff's Office at Bloomsburg, county and state aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, JUNE 5th, 1909, at 2 o'clock, P. M. the following described real estate:

TRACT NO. ONE.—All that piece, parcel and tract of land situate in Scott Township, Columbia County, bounded and described as follows, to wit:—

Beginning at stone corner, in the public road, leading from Espy to Light-street; thence south in said road nine degrees east fifty-six perches to a stone corner in said road; thence by land of Sarah Snyder south twenty-nine and one-fourth degrees, east, forty-nine and nine-tenths perches to a stone corner; thence south sixty and three-fourths degrees west, six perches to a stone corner; thence south twenty-nine degrees and one-fourth east, thirty-three perches to a stone corner; thence by land of C. W. Kline south seventy-seven and one-half degrees east, seventy-six and six-tenths rods to a stone, formerly pipe corner; thence north seventy-six degrees east, eighty-one and five-tenths rods to a stone corner in the public road, leading from Espy to residence of Ellis Ringrose; thence by centre of said road and land of said Ellis Ringrose, north twenty-nine and three-fourths degrees west, one hundred and sixty-four and four-tenths rods to a stone corner; thence north seventy-six degrees east, forty-three and nine-tenths rods to a stone corner; thence north twelve and one-fourth degrees west, nine and nine-tenths rods to a stone corner in the public road leading from the residence of Joseph Heckman to Wm. J. Hilday's; thence in centre of said road and land of Wm. J. Hilday, south seventy-seven and one-fourth degrees west, one hundred and sixty and eight-tenths perches to a stone corner in the public road, the place of beginning, containing

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHT ACRES AND TWENTY-FIVE PERCHES

of land, being a farm in good state of cultivation, upon which is erected a TWO-STORY BRICK DWELLING HOUSE,

bank barn and out buildings, fruit trees and running water. A ridge of limestone suitable for a quarry is also upon the premises.

TRACT NO. TWO.—All that piece parcel and tract of land situate in the village of Espy, county and state aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit:—

Beginning at the corner of Market and Second Streets, on the westerly side of Market Street; thence westwardly along Second Street eighty-two and one-half feet to corner of lot of Ebenezer Case "No. 54," thence southwardly along line of said lot one hundred and seventy-three and one-fourth feet to an alley; thence along said alley eastwardly eighty-two and one-half feet to Market Street aforesaid, thence northwardly along said Street, one hundred and seventy-three and one-fourth feet to Second Street, the place of beginning, improved with a

TWO-STORY FRAME DWELLING HOUSE AND BARN, out buildings and fruit trees.

Seized, taken into execution at the suit of George B. Markle, Trustee, vs. C. L. Pohe, Administrator of Wm. C. Robinson, deceased, Laura Robinson, and Charles Schug, Terre-Tenant, and to be sold as the property of Wm. C. Robinson, deceased.

CHARLES B. ENT, Sheriff.

J. Q. Creveling, Attorney.

IN RE APPLICATION OF THE BLOOMSBURG LITERARY INSTITUTE FOR AMENDMENTS TO CHARTER AND CHANGE OF NAME.

Notice is hereby given that a petition was presented to the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County on the 12th day of May, A. D., 1909, by the Bloomsburg Literary Institute to make the following amendments to its charter, to wit:—

Amending the name, style and title of the corporation from "The Bloomsburg Literary Institute" to the "Bloomsburg Literary Institute and State Normal School of the Sixth District"; increasing the number of trustees from nine to eighteen; changing the time of the Annual Stockholders' Meeting from the first Saturday to first Monday in May; designating the officers of the corporation as President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer; the manner and mode of election and appointment of trustees; increasing the quorum of the Board of Trustees from five to seven; fixing the capital stock at \$39,490.00, divided into 1974 shares, prohibiting dividends upon the capital stock of the corporation and enlarging the purposes and scope of the institution; whereupon the following Interlocutory Decree was entered, to wit:—

And now May 12th, 1909, the foregoing petition having been presented and read, and it appearing to the Court that due notice of this application and these proceedings were given to the Auditor General, on the 5th day of May 1909, and the court upon consideration thereof being of the opinion that the said amendments and change of name of said corporation will be lawful, beneficial, and not injurious to the community and not in conflict with the requirements of the Constitution or the laws of the Commonwealth, it is therefore ordered that said petition or writing be filed in the office of the Prothonotary of the court, and notice thereof be inserted in two newspapers printed in said county, for three weeks, setting forth that said application has been made, and that a final decree will be made on the 14th day of June, 1909, at 10 o'clock, A. M., in conformity with the prayer of the petition, unless sufficient reason be shown why the same should not be done.

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