The Farmer and Housekeeper.

ENTOMOLOGICAL.

APPLE AND PEACH TREE BORERS—THEIR HABITS, INJURIES AND THEIR REMEDIES.

Farmers and others who have to do with injurious insects from a necessity, and who also rarely undertake to observe closely their habits, are continually speaking of a class of insects—whose habits are similar in many points, but which differ greatly in their individual characters—as one insect. Thus, the very common and unmeaning expressions, *the* curcullo, *the* borer, *the* fly, *the* thrips, etc.; and the same persons, acting on the same idea, apply remedies that are effectual against one kind of borer, to check the devastations of another, and of course meet with no success.—The reason, perhaps, why all "borers" are supposed to be of one and the same kind, is that they are generally seen only in their larva or grub state, in which, as a general rule, they do the most mischief, and more closely resemble each other than in the perfect state.

There are no less than three kinds of borers that infest the apple tree, while there is but one that commonly attacks the peach tree.—We will take up these four kinds in their order, and after fully understanding their habits, give such remedies as have been found the most efficient.

The larva of the two-striped borer (*Saperda bivittata* Say) which commonly infests the apple tree, and frequently pear and quince trees, is about an inch long when full grown, of a whitish color, and about as thick and round as a goose quill. The perfect insect is less than an inch long, and may be distinguished by the two stripes on its wing. Its colors are cinnamon, brown and white.—The perfect female of this species, as is the case with almost all borers, deposits her eggs upon, or among the cracks and chinks, of the bark. The young grub or larva soon afterwards hatches out, and bores into the sapwood by a very small hole, which soon closes up. He confines himself almost entirely to the sap-wood during his larval state, at which period the greatest damage is done—young trees, when they contain several borers, being often completely girdled by them. As the grub approaches maturity, he sometimes mines into the heart-wood, which is, however, but slightly injurious to the tree. The larva never opens a hole through the bark, except when he is full grown, to effect a passage into the open air. So the holes in the tree, made by this insect—which are circular, as if made by a bullet—are not made by him in *going* into the tree, but in *coming* out, and therefore it is very absurd to suppose you can kill or find the insect by plugging up the holes or cutting them open.

The perfect insects come out during the month of June in this region, when they couple, and the female soon after deposits her eggs. The larva is about two years in arriving at maturity, and is remarkable for confining itself generally to the trunk of the trees.

The Buprestis Bore (*Chrysobothris femorata* Fabr.) is another enemy of the apple tree. It is a little over a half an inch long, is square headed and is colored dark brown with brassy spots. Its larva is whitish, and when full grown is about half an inch long. It is hammer-headed also, the head and fore parts being nearly twice as wide as the hinder parts, and considerably flattened. The hole which this insect bores in the tree is therefore of a shape peculiarly fitted to its body, which is oval-shaped. Hence from the shape of the hole alone the kind of borer which infests your trees can be determined, that of the two striped borers being the largest and of a circular form, while that of the Buprestis is the smaller and of an elliptical shape. The perfect insect of this species appears about the same time as the preceding, and its habits are similar in all respects, except that it flies by day, and the larva only requires about half the time—twelve months—to come to maturity.

The remedies most efficient against these two borers, are as follows. Dr. Fitch, the State Entomologist of New York, recommends that about the last of May, the trees be rubbed with a bar of common soap, until they assume a whitish appearance. If it is the two-striped borer that infests your trees it will only be necessary to go over the lower part of the trunk, but if it is the Buprestis borer that bothers you, you must rub the entire trunk and the principal limbs, as he does not confine himself to any particular part of the tree. The virtue of this remedy lies in the fact that it is extremely distasteful to the perfect borers, who feeling great concern for their future families, shun all trees covered with it. The larva already in the trees can be cut out with the knife, but "prevention is better than cure."

The apple-twig Borer (*Bostrichus bicaudatus* Say) is remarkable in the fact that it bores apple trees in the perfect state. It is found mostly in the valley of the Mississippi. It bores into twigs about the size of a lead pencil, during the month of June. It will commence to bore just above one of the buds, and continues downward for an inch or more through the heart of the twig, excavating a hole about the size of a knitting needle. The insect is less than half an inch long, and is of a very dark brown color. The male has two little thorns projecting from its tail.—Both males and females are found in the holes, which they excavate for food. It is supposed that this borer breeds in the sapwood of forest trees. The bored twigs generally break off in the first high wind, which is the only damage occasioned by this borer. The only remedy suggested is to search for the bored twigs in June and cut them off and destroy them.

The Peach tree Borer (*Ægeria exitiosa* Say,) is a Lepidopterous insect, belonging to an entirely different order (*Lepidoptera*; moths, butterflies) of insects from the preceding borers which all belong to the order Coleoptera or beetles. Its colors are yellow and steel-blue, and its wings are quite narrow for the length of its body. The female is larger, and very different in other respects from the male.

The larva of the Peach tree Borer is about the same size, shape and color as the larva of the two-striped borer, but differs from it in having six legs, whereas the other has none. It is particularly fond of the butt of the tree, and indeed generally works a little below the surface of the ground. It lives one year in its larval state, and the perfect insect comes out in July and August. They always live in the sap wood, and wherever the larva is, a thick mass of gum exudes from the tree, which serves as a guide to the retreat of the destroyer.

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are the best and CHEAPEST Low Priced Hoop Skirts in the market. Trail Skirts, 25 springs, $1.00; 30 springs, $1.20; and 40 springs, $1.45. Plain Skirts, 6 tapes, 30 springs, 90 Cents; 42 springs, 96 Cents; 50 springs, $1.15; and 34 springs, $1.35. *Warranted in every respect.*

"Our OWN Make" of "UNION SKIRTS," Sixteen Tape Trails, from 20 to 50 springs, $1.30 to $2.50. Plain, Six Tapes, 20 to 50 springs, from 85 Cents to $2.00. These Skirts are better than those sold by other establishments as first class goods, and at much lower prices.

"Our OWN Make" of "CHAMPION SKIRTS" are in every way superior to all other Hoop Skirts before the public, and only have to be examined or worn to convince every one of the fact. Manufactured of the best linen-finished English Steel Springs, very superior tapes, and the style of the metallic fastenings and manner of securing them appears far durability and excellence say other Skirt in this country, and are lighter, more pliable, will wear longer, give more satisfaction, and are really cheaper than all others. *Every lady should try them.* They are being sold extensively by Merchants throughout this and the adjoining states at very moderate prices. If you want the best, ask for "Hopkin's Champion Skirt." If you do not find them, get the merchant with whom you deal to order them for you, or come or send direct to us. Merchants will find our different grades of Skirts exactly what they need, and we especially invite them to call and examine our extensive assortment, or send for Wholesale Price List.

To be had at Retail at Manufactory, and of the Retail Trade generally, and at Wholesale of the Manufacturer, only, to whom all orders should be addressed.

MANUFACTORY AND SALESROOM, 628 ARCH ST., Between 6th and 7th sts., Philadelphia.

Feb. 26, 1868.—1m WM. T. HOPKINS.

Clothing, Hats, Shoes, &c.

CHANGE OF FIRM.

READY-MADE CLOTHING.

THE undersigned, having taken the store of F. B. Picking, on Baltimore street, Gettysburg, Penna., opposite the "*Star and Sentinel*" office, respectfully informs his friends that he is prepared to sell

Ready-Made Clothing *OF ALL KINDS,*

COATS, PANTS, VESTS, SHIRTS, DRAWERS, TRUNKS, CARPET SACKS, UMBRELLAS, BUFFALO & GUM SHOES, &c.

All of which will be sold at *LOWEST CASH RATES.*

April 8, 1868. FRANCIS CUNNINGHAM.

GEO. JACOBS & BRO., MERCHANT TAILORS,

Chambersburg Street, Gettysburg, Pa., next door to Keystone Hotel.

CLOTHS, CASSIMERS, TWEEDS, Of all styles, and best quality the market can produce, furnished cheap as can be sold in the country, which will be cut out, if desired, without extra charge.

Goods made up and warranted TO FIT.

Also, sole Agents for Adams County for The Howe Sewing Machine, *The most perfect & reliable in America!*

The highest premium—the Cross of the Legion of Honor, and Gold Medal—awarded at the Paris Exposition, 1867.

The Howe Machine will do a larger variety of work in better style than any other machine, and defies all competition for simplicity and ease in working. Call and examine them. Circulars containing price list, &c., can be had on application. [Feb. 12, 1868.—tf

MERCHANT TAILORING.

CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, TWEEDS,

and other materials for Men's Wear, furnished and made up to order, on short notice.

SATISFACTION WARRANTED.

Work also solicited from Customers, who purchase their Goods elsewhere.

W. T. KING, York street, opposite the Bank.

June 12, 1867.—1y

Farming Implements, &c.

WEAVER'S PATENT ADJUSTABLE SELF-FEEDING ROCK DRILL,

ONE OF THE GREATEST IMPROVEMENTS OF THE AGE.

Being the first successful attempt to apply machinery to Rock Drilling for blasting purposes, and which will answer equally well for splitting Rock and drilling holes in Rock for any purpose.

PATENTED JULY 16, 1867.

THIS Drill has everything that is desired in a Rock Drill. It has any amount of adjustability, so that it will stand on any uneven surface, where it is possible for a man to drill.

It drills perpendicularly, or at any angle up to 55 degrees, and any depth or dimensions required for Blasting.

It operates easily, and with one of these Machines a man can do five times the amount of work done in the old way, in the same time. In ordinary Rock it will drill one inch per minute.

With this Drill, Farmers, who have rough land, can clear the rough stuff with little expense, for the very person who can turn a wind-mill can operate the drill.

It can be used in Wells, Cellars, Coal Mines, or any place that Rock is met with.

The undersigned having purchased from the Patentees, WILLIAM WEAVER, all his interest in said Letters Patent in and to the State of Pennsylvania, are prepared to sell *County and Township Rights* in said State, on reasonable terms. We have also been constituted, by Letters of Attorney, Agents for the Patentees, for the sale of State Rights throughout the United States. Persons wishing to purchase County or Township Rights in Pennsylvania, or to secure the Right for other States, will address,

BELL & WEAVER, Hunterstown, Adams county, Pa.

PHILIP WEAVER. ROBERT BELL.

March 25, 1868.—3m

EAST BERLIN FIRM.

REBERT & HOOVER.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

Buckeye Reaper and Mower—Buckeye Self-Raker, Hoffhein's Patent—Self-discharging Wire Horse Rake, Shireman's Patent—Brand's Patent Wire Horse Rake —The Rockaway Wire Rake.—Also,

Threshing Machines,

CORN PLANTERS, TWO KINDS, SHIREMAN'S PATENT AND WAMBAUGH'S PATENT, YORK, GRAIN DRILLS, MOORE'S PATENT—CORN SHELLER, WAMBAUGH'S PATENT.

REPAIRING of all kinds done on short notice.

Call and see what we can do.

REBERT & HOOVER.

East Berlin, March 4, 1868.—4m

NEW MACHINE SHOP AT NEW OXFORD.

THE undersigned calls attention to his new Machine Shop, at New Oxford, Adams county, which he has put up, at large expense, with the determination to do good and satisfactory work. He will manufacture various kinds of

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY,

such as THRESHING MACHINES, SPRING-TOOTH RAKES, &c.; and will keep the BUCKEYE REAPER & MOWER on hand for sale

All descriptions of REPAIRING done promptly and as cheaply as possible.

He has in connection with his Machine Shop a STEAM SAW MILL, upon which he will do all kinds of work in that line.

He asks the public to call and give him a trial, and he guarantees full satisfaction.

March 22, 1868.—6m JACOB STOCK.

Hardware, Cutlery, &c.

HARDWARE AND GROCERIES

THE subscribers have just returned from the city with an immense supply of HARDWARE GROCERIES, which they are offering at their old stand in Baltimore street, at prices to suit the times. Our stock consists in part of

Carpenter's Tools, Blacksmith's Tools, Coach Findings, Shoe Findings, Cabinet Maker's Tools, Housekeeper's Furniture, All kinds of Iron &c.

GROCERIES OF ALL KINDS,

Oils, Paints, &c., &c. There is near the last mentioned in the several departments mentioned above, but what can be had at this Store. Every class of Mechanic's can be accommodated here with tools and findings and Housekeepers will find every article in their line. Give us a call. We are prepared to sell as low as any other house out of the city.

JOEL B. DANNER, DAVID SHEELER.

May 20 1867

Financial.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GETTYSBURG.

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF 7-30 NOTES.

Last fall, when the privilege of converting the August 7-30 Notes expired, many persons who neglected to convert into 5-20 Bonds, or sell, lost the premium and the privilege of converting. It will be the same with the 7-30's maturing in June and July next, if not disposed of in time. This Bank will either convert, or purchase the 7-30's, allowing premium and interest.

Feb. 19, 1868.—tf GEO. ARNOLD, Cashier.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GETTYSBURG, PENNA.,

Is agent for the sale of the first Mortgage Union Pacific Rail Road.

6 PER CENT. GOLD INTEREST BONDS,

at par with interest payable semi-annually at our counter. All necessary information given.

GEO. ARNOLD, Cashier.

Gettysburg, Nov. 27, 1867.—tf

GETTYSBURG NATIONAL BANK.

GOVERNMENT BONDS, of all kinds, BOUGHT and SOLD.

SEVEN-THIRTY BONDS converted into FIVE-TWENTY BONDS without charge.

COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES CASHED.

The HIGHEST PREMIUM paid on GOLD and SILVER.

STOCKS and BONDS, of all kinds, bought for persons without CHARGING COMMISSION.

ORDERS PROMPTLY EXECUTED.

Interest on SPECIAL DEPOSITS *advanced* 1 *per cent.* *higher* than the Banks.

5 PER CENT. for 1 year,
4 PER CENT. for 6 months,
3 PER CENT. for 3 months.

Persons wishing information in regard to U. S. Bonds and Stocks of all kinds, are invited to give us a call, and we will give all information cheerfully.

J. EMORY BAIR, Cashier.

Gettysburg, Oct 30, 1867.—tf

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GETTYSBURG

WILL ALLOW

Interest on SPECIAL DEPOSITS as follows:

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