

## News Briefs

### ON ROUTINE BUSINESS

C. F. Bailey, superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Station is away today on routine business connected with his department.

### RETURNED HOME

Friends will be pleased to learn that Burpee Hanson has recovered well enough to be able to return to his home in Durham Bridge. He has been staying with Charles Barton of this city.

### EXAMS STARTED TODAY

Examinations at the University of New Brunswick for the University of New Brunswick summer school began today, and will wind up on Saturday.

### AT GRAND FALLS

L. H. Parks, district supervisor of fisheries, is in Grand Falls today on business connected with his department. He will return here later this week.

### AUDITOR HERE

R. King, of the auditing department of Old Age Pensions at Ottawa is in the city today and called on Hon. W. P. Jones, director here. Mr. King has just returned from an inspection trip to Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

### SIGNS PUT UP

Suitable signs warning careless bathers that there is danger of polluted water below the site of the Old Railway bridge, and that bathing there is discouraged, have been placed by the Fredericton sub-district Board of Health. The danger of polluted water comes from the low level of the water there.

### SALE OF LAND

A number of portions of land belonging to the late Ansel L. Lumbert were sold yesterday afternoon by order of the Chancery Division of the Supreme Court. Situated in York county, they were bid in by Joseph E. Keefe of Vanceboro for \$725., Harry C. Donovan for \$350 and Chas. Price of Canterbury Station for \$450.

### GARDEN PARTY TODAY

The garden party of the Gibson Memorial United Church in Devon is going on this afternoon and supper will be served from five o'clock until seven o'clock. Here is a fine opportunity to eat amid all the floral beauty of August. Rev. W. A. Burge will meet you personally.

### DISCUSSED COLONIZATION

A delegation headed by J. A. Doucette, M.P.P., for Gloucester, J. G. Boucher, M.P.P., and Dr. P. H. Laporte, M.P.P., for Madawaska met here yesterday afternoon with the Premier and discussed matters pertaining to colonization in the northern part of the province.

### N. B. MEMBER HONORED

Hon. J. E. Michaud, minister of fisheries has recently completed a two weeks inspection trip of British Columbia. During the tour he was honored by the Nootka Indians and presented with a totem pole and a regalia cap of the tribe. Former N. B. people he met on the trip were Bruce and Wendall Farris sons of the late Hon. L. P. Farris of Queen's county who are engaged in lumbering in British Columbia.

### FIELD DAY AT FARM

A Holstein-Friesian Field Day is to be held at the Dominion Experimental Station on Thursday, Aug. 20. There will be a continuous programme from nine o'clock in the morning until four o'clock in the afternoon, which will include addresses by prominent livestock men of Canada, judging competitions, and judging demonstrations. A basket lunch will be served and all New Brunswick farmers are cordially invited.

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## STUDY FOREST INSECT INROADS IN MARITIMES

R. E. Balch and C. E. Atwood Made Many Experiments

### No New Outbreaks

Westmorland County is Affected by the Satin Moth

R. E. Balch, Dominion Entomologist, and C. E. Atwood recently returned from Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island where they examined experimental plots and made investigations regarding forest insect conditions in general. Although no new outbreaks were discovered, an extension of the injury caused by several species previously noted as epidemic was found.

The satin moth (*Stilpnotia salicis*), which became numerous a few years ago for the first time in eastern Canada, was found to have increased its area of damage and annoyance in Prince Edward Island, the northern parts of Nova Scotia, and the eastern part of Westmorland county, N. B. It has also been very numerous in Newfoundland. Most of the planted poplars and willows in Prince Edward Island and from Amherst east as far as Cheticamp in Nova Scotia were heavily infested this year and the majority stripped of their foliage. As poplar trees (including balsam poplar, and the so-called silver maple, or *Populus alba*) have been favored for planting around houses in this region, especially in the country, the migrating caterpillars cause much annoyance by crawling over gardens and into houses. This insect is controlled by an application of arsenate of lead in the spring, but owing to a lack of shade-tree sprayers in the Maritime Provinces, it is difficult to get the tree sprayed. Only by community effort can this nuisance be prevented. A parasite imported by the Entomological Branch has been very effective in controlling the satin moth in British Columbia and has been established in the Maritimes. It is not yet known, however, whether it will be as efficient under the conditions in these provinces and early spraying is recommended wherever the pest appears, if apparatus can be secured. For the first time, heavy attacks were noted this year on the native aspen. It is possible that this species will gradually adapt itself to the forest, as it did in British Columbia, instead of confining itself to shade-trees.

Another insect appearing in considerable numbers this year is the larch sawfly, an European insect which destroyed the larch in eastern Canada a generation ago. It is causing partial defoliation throughout most of the southern part of New Brunswick but is not as yet numerous in many places in Prince Edward Island or Nova Scotia.

The beech scale, or coccus, is still prevalent throughout Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and the southern part of New Brunswick. Most of the mature beech stands in the first two provinces have been killed and it seems unlikely that much beech of any size will remain. Ultimately, the control of this insect may be possible in the forest but at present control is only feasible on ornamental trees, which should be scrubbed with a miscible oil emulsion as soon as attack is noticed. Valued beech trees should be watched for the appearance of a white, woolly substance in small dots on the stem and branches.

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## BOARD OF TRADE TOURIST MATTER STILL UP IN AIR

F. Cedric Cooper, Ch. Tourist Committee, Has Resigned

### Small Attendance

"Something Rotten in Denmark" General Consensus

A meeting of the executive of the Board of Trade, which was held at the new tourist home last evening, with a very slim attendance not more than a quorum being present, President Miller was in the chair, and those who were present decided to abolish the tourist committee appointed by the full board of trade previously, and consisting of nine members and substituting therefor, Mayor Kitchen, George Armstrong, and the president of the society, S. S. Miller. Cedric Cooper, who resigned from the tourist committee following charges made by E. C. Atkinson and the president, was asked to go on the committee as chairman, and when he refused to do so Mayor Kitchen was asked to play second fiddle. Although the executive had previously expressed their want of confidence in Mr. Cooper and his work, they wound up the meeting by passing a vote of confidence for him and his work.

By this action last night of the executive the tourist committee appointed by the full board of trade lost all their power. This committee consisted of S. S. Miller, F. Cedric Cooper, G. Leslie Mavor, Donald Smith, Ald. T. E. Doohan, Frank Shute, G. Hedley Forbes Harry Richards and E. O. McDonald.

At this meeting a resolution of confidence in the secretary, Alex. Murray, was passed.

In discussing the matter of representatives of the board at Ellsworth and Newport, Me., who were alleged to have given tourists wrong information about roads leading from St. Stephen to Saint John and Moncton, Mr. Miller admitted that he thought "those boys had made some mistake" (Continued on Page Five)

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## AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIAL POLICY TO FORE

Premier Says Gov't to Weigh Question Before Deciding

### Potato Growers Gather

Hon. A. C. Taylor Says Department to Pay Bacon Hog Bonus

More than 1,000 agriculturists attended the joint meeting of the New Brunswick Swine Breeders' Association and the N. B. Potato Growers' Association at the Dominion Experimental Station here, which was featured yesterday afternoon by addresses from Dr. G. S. Whitby, chief of the division of chemistry, National Research Council; Guy G. Porter, of Andover; Hon. A. C. Taylor, minister of agriculture; and Hon. A. A. Dysart premier of the province.

The possibilities of the industrial use of potatoes was discussed at some length. Dr. Whitby felt that the use of cull potatoes in the manufacture of alcohol, motor fuel and hog feed would result in gasoline being sold for a few cents a gallon in the province, but he stressed the use of potatoes for the manufacture of dextrine and other starch products.

Mr. Porter supported belief in the manufacturing of alcohol for use in motor fuel and for "hot slop" or feed for livestock. The two speakers were at some variance regarding the use of potatoes for alcohol fuel. Mr. Porter maintained that the country needed an industrial agricultural policy to ensure the farmers a market for their products providing a stimulus to the local manufacturing of live stock feed. Not enough importance has been attached to agriculture in this country as compared to European countries, Mr. Porter declared. Mr. Porter made the prediction that in a few years more money would be spent by the department of agriculture than by any other department, which is as it should be.

Hon. A. C. Taylor, Minister of Agriculture, made the striking announcement during the afternoon meeting that the department of agriculture would pay a 50-cent bonus on select and bacon hogs to promote the systematic breeding of hogs in this province.

A resolution of importance was passed commending the department's policy, which read as follows: "That the New Brunswick Swine Breeders' Association go on record as: (1) Approving of and endorsing the action of the New Brunswick department of agriculture in making available to hog producers an additional bonus of 50 cents a head on select and bacon" (Continued on Page Five)

## MAN on the STREET

(By W. T. Whitehead)  
No Superstition

Man, queer creature of dark history and shrouded beginnings, priding himself on his intelligence, which lifts him above the beast, preening himself upon his education, which frees him from prejudice, is still to a large degree the victim of superstition.

Fredericton, an educational centre, should be free from fetishes and strange beliefs if academic training can deliver one from barbarous customs and false gods. And perhaps she is.

Walking along Queen Street only yesterday, two ladders were observed, top against building and foot well out, leaving a wide and inviting passageway beneath. The invitation being declined, one continued on to Regent Street. On Regent near King were no fewer than three ladders, two or three feet apart, leaving an even broader passageway beneath, and a consequently less inviting, because narrower, path if the dire threat be circumvented. While picking a way around this trap at risk of having to step from the curb to the road and be put to rest forever by a benevolent motorist, a young lady was seen to walk along and, never deviating from her course, pass beneath the ladders.

### No Retribution

No paint-pot, no hammer, no brick, descended from heaven to punish her temerity. Serene, unharmed, she went her dauntless way. Ah! Such is the emancipation of education, the armor of intelligence. The straight line is mathematically protected, let the superstitious fall where they may.

Whatever may have happened to the young lady afterwards because of her flouting of the inscrutable gods is not known. It would have been interesting to follow her. She was nice-looking.

But to superstition rather than fancy. The fallacy about the broken mirror and the ensuing seven years of misfortune has a simple explanation. A few hundred years ago mirrors were both expensive and scarce and servants clumsy. Thus, some ingenious dame who cared more for her own reflection than her menials' peace of mind, threw out such a remark and because of the anguish this belief has since caused, it is to be hoped that she soon saw the pale oval of her face reflected in the dark mirror of the Styx.

### No Fooling

Tapping on wood when making a boast is easily explained. When it was believed that benevolent deities lived inside trees, it was considered unwise to make a statement without invoking the protection of the friendly tree dryads. So when a person made a boast without first asking a god's help, he would rap on a tree as who would say, "I know you're listening, sweetheart, but help me this time and I'll fix it up with you later." (Continued on Page Five)

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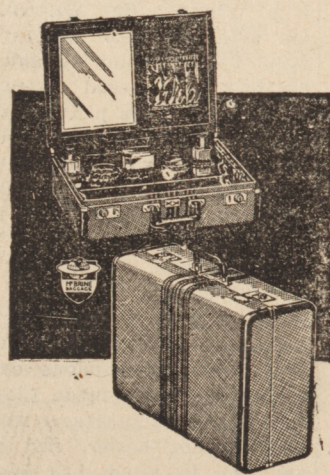
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