KENT COUNTY PEACH PEST.

How to Exterminate the Fruit Bark Beetle or Scolytus.

Editor of The Free Press:

In your issue of September 5 I saw this paragraph from the KENT NEWS:

"A new disease has developed among the peach trees in Kent County. A little insect has made its appearance in several orchards in this county and is called the peach tree borer. The insect is black, with wings, and a little larger than a flea, but it penetrates the bark of a tree without any trouble and death follows at once."

I at once sent it to one of the most skilled orchardists in Ohio and I take pleasure in submitting his reply—

"MY DEAR MR. CHRISTIAN: Relative to the clipping you send. The pest described is not the Peach Borer, but what is commonly known as the Fruit Bark Beetle or Scolytus. This little insect usually attacks diseased or weak trees and it is quite difficult to keep it under subjection. With strong, healthy trees under good cultivation a person need have no fear where they keep dead brush and trimmings destroyed or burned, as it is in dead limbs where the insect first propagates. As soon as it hatches out it then attacks the living weak and sickly trees. The best remedy that I have ever found is to wash bark with thick whale oil soap or any other alkali mixture. Whitewashing bark of tree is another good remedy. Some put in small portion of crude carbolic acid in this mixture, but how effective this may be I could not say."

It would be valuable for you to trace the original paragraph to its Kent county source and get a report as to how my correspondent's explanation fits the case.

I believe all of us who grow fruit can profit by an interchange of ideas and discoveries. There is no reason why the Peninsula should be so nearly driven out of the peach market.

We must plant and cultivate the crop to insure its ripening at the most profitable time—to follow, for instance, the Georgia crop, and get well through before the New Jersey crop gets in.

If other vegetation can be controlled—and it can—then we can control the peaches. In the middle West dairymen actually, and with much success, control the sex of the increase of their herd. And this scientific cattle raising can be done anywhere. Now, if a breeder can secure a male or female calf at will, it surely isn't too much to expect that the orchardist can very largely control his trees.

Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia—as I happen to know—and probably many other agricultural states are ahead of Maryland in the question of Farmers' Institutes, with lecturers who from actual experience explain improved ways of doing things. Why cannot our section benefit in the same way?

Much Ohio land is worth four or five times as much per acre as are our Eastern Shore farms; yet I wouldn't trade a fairly good Maryland farm for its value in Ohio land. Prejudice? Not a bit of it. Ohio soil is deep and strong. Farmers there are working it very hard. They are at the brow of the hill, and it will not be easy for them to adapt themselves to the conditions a few years ahead. We've been at the bottom of the hill and have learned in a general way how to revive lands. Our farms are on the upgrade and can be kept going up. And that is reason enough for not wanting to trade. But we can learn.

A. A. CHRISTIAN.

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The little fellow had a bundle of newspapers under his arm at the time, and immediately he saw the financier he started toward the cab. Running beside it he shouted at the top of his voice:

"Hi! Mr. Morgan! Coal strike 'extra,'" at the same time flourishing a newspaper in front of the cab window.

Either something in the paper attracted Mr Morgan's attention, or he was pleased at the lad's familiarity. He reached for the paper and threw the boy a half dollar. The little fellow picked up the money and without hesitating ran after the cab again and jumped on behind.

Before the cab pulled up at Mr. Morgan's office the newsboy was already on the sidewalk waiting for it to stop. As Mr. Morgan stepped out, the urchin approached and, holding the change from the 50-cent piece in his outstretched hand, said:

"Yer change, Mister Morgan."

"Why, my little man," said Mr. Morgan, in some astonishment, "what is this for?"

"Yer give me 50 cents fer the paper yer jist bought and this is yer change, sir," replied the boy.

"Oh, never mind that; keep the money, keep it—and take this; there's a peachcart over there."

Here Mr. Morgan dived into a pocket and fished out another 50-cent piece. He gave this to the urchin, and slapping him on the back turned and walked briskly into his office.

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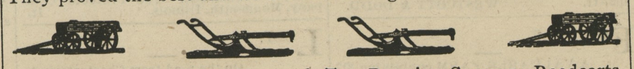

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