

[Untitled Agriculture Society Letter Offering a Reward for an Effectual Remedy for Hessian Fly] James Clarke

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A letter from the secretary of the Nova Scotia Agriculture Society detailing the Society's resolution to offer a ten guinea reward for an effective means of destroying the crop-damaging Hessian fly. Vol. 9, No. 477.

Transcription

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JULY 11.

AGRICULTURE SOCIETY.

At a meeting of the Select Committee, held the 6th day of July, 1795.

It having been reported that the insect, known by the name of the *Hessian Fly*, has made its appearance in some districts of this Province:

*Resolved--*that the Society will give a premium of *Ten Guineas* to any person who shall discover a cheap and effectual method to destroy this insect and prevent its future ravages.

The claimant of this premium must make known, for public use, the ingredients used for this purpose; and also produce a certificate signed by a magistrate and two of the Corresponding Members of the Society, setting forth the name of

the discoverer and the efficacy of the remedy in more instances than one.

N. B. Until an effectual remedy be discovered to prevent the injury done to corn by the above insect, the Society earnestly recommend to all Farmers, that they burn the stubble and whatever weeds may grow in the Fields where the Hessian Fly has been discovered. This may be done after harvest, in a dry time Hereby the eggs of this pernicio[us] insect will be destroyed, and a check given to its increase. The less stubble or weeds left unburnt in such fields, the better.

JAMES CLARKE, Sec'ry.

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