

THE PHENOLOGY OF NOVA SCOTIA, 1913—By A. H.
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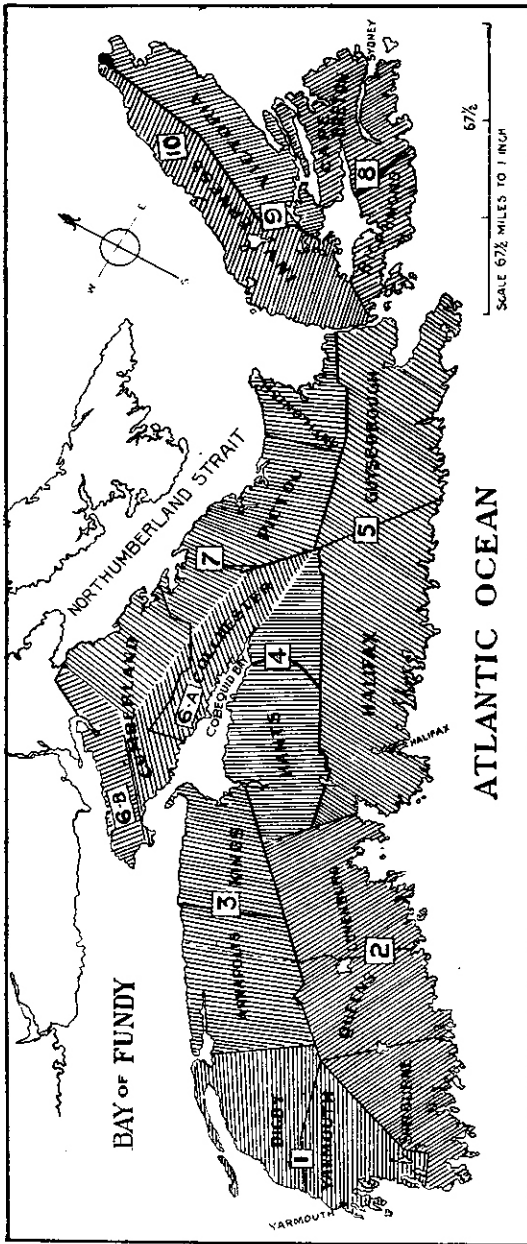
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These phenological observations were made in the schools of the province of Nova Scotia as a part of the Nature Study work prescribed. The pupils report or bring in the flowering or other specimens to the teachers when they are first observed. The teachers record the first observation and observer, and vouch for the accurate naming of the species. The schedules from 200 of the best schools form the material of the following system of average dates (phenochrons) for the ten biological regions of the Province, and the phenochrons of the Province as a whole. The compilation of the 200 schedules was done by H. R. Shinner, B. A.

The Province is divided into its main climate slopes or regions not always coterminous with the boundaries of counties. Slopes, especially those to the coast, are subdivided into belts, such as (a) the coast belt, (b) the low inland belt, and (c) the high inland belt, as below:—

No.	Regions or Slopes.	Belts.
I.	Yarmouth and Digby Counties,	(a) Coast, (b) Low Inlands, (c) High Inlands.
II.	Shelburne, Queens & Lunenburg Co's.	" " "
III.	Annapolis and Kings Counties,	(a) Coast, (b) North Mt., (c) Annapolis Valley, (d) Corn- wallis Valley, (e) South Mt.
IV.	Hants and Colchester Counties,	(a) Coast, (b) Low Inlands, (c) High Inlands.
V.	Halifax and Guysboro Counties,	" " "
VI.A.	Cobequid Slope (to the south),	" " "
VI.B.	Chignecto Slope (to the northwest),	" " "
VII.	Northumberland Sts Slope (to the n'h)	" " "
VIII.	Richmond & Cape Breton Co's.,	" " "
IX.	Bras d'Or Slope (to the southeast),	" " "
X.	Inqerness Slope (to Gulf, N. W.),	" " "

The ten *regions* are indicated on the outline map on the next page.



THE TEN PHENOLOGICAL REGIONS OF NOVA SCOTIA.

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[Compiled from over 200 local observation schedules.]

WHEN FIRST SEEN.		YEAR 1913.		WHEN BECOMING COMMON.					
OBSERVATION REGIONS.		OBSERVATION REGIONS.		OBSERVATION REGIONS.					
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Average Dates		Average Dates		Average Dates		Average Dates		Average Dates	
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Jan.....	31	July.....	212	Jan.....	31	July.....	212	Jan.....	31
Feb.....	59	Aug.....	243	Feb.....	59	Aug.....	243	Feb.....	59
March.....	90	Sept.....	273	March.....	90	Sept.....	273	March.....	90
April.....	120	Oct.....	304	April.....	120	Oct.....	304	April.....	120
May.....	151	Nov.....	334	May.....	151	Nov.....	334	May.....	151
June.....	181	Dec.....	365	June.....	181	Dec.....	365	June.....	181
For leap year add one to each except January.		For leap year add one to each except January.		For leap year add one to each except January.		For leap year add one to each except January.		For leap year add one to each except January.	
1. <i>Alnus incana</i> , Wild.....	111	1. <i>Alnus incana</i> , Wild.....	111	1. <i>Alnus incana</i> , Wild.....	111	1. <i>Alnus incana</i> , Wild.....	111	1. <i>Alnus incana</i> , Wild.....	111
2. <i>Populus tremuloides</i>	123	2. <i>Populus tremuloides</i>	123	2. <i>Populus tremuloides</i>	123	2. <i>Populus tremuloides</i>	123	2. <i>Populus tremuloides</i>	123
3. <i>Epigea repens</i> , L.....	111	3. <i>Epigea repens</i> , L.....	111	3. <i>Epigea repens</i> , L.....	111	3. <i>Epigea repens</i> , L.....	111	3. <i>Epigea repens</i> , L.....	111
4. <i>Equisetum arvense</i>	126	4. <i>Equisetum arvense</i>	126	4. <i>Equisetum arvense</i>	126	4. <i>Equisetum arvense</i>	126	4. <i>Equisetum arvense</i>	126
5. <i>Sagittaria Canadensis</i>	138	5. <i>Sagittaria Canadensis</i>	138	5. <i>Sagittaria Canadensis</i>	138	5. <i>Sagittaria Canadensis</i>	138	5. <i>Sagittaria Canadensis</i>	138
6. <i>Vicia bicolor</i>	123	6. <i>Vicia bicolor</i>	123	6. <i>Vicia bicolor</i>	123	6. <i>Vicia bicolor</i>	123	6. <i>Vicia bicolor</i>	123
7. <i>Vicia palmata, cucullata</i>	128	7. <i>Vicia palmata, cucullata</i>	128	7. <i>Vicia palmata, cucullata</i>	128	7. <i>Vicia palmata, cucullata</i>	128	7. <i>Vicia palmata, cucullata</i>	128
8. <i>Hepatica triflora</i> , etc.....	131	8. <i>Hepatica triflora</i> , etc.....	131	8. <i>Hepatica triflora</i> , etc.....	131	8. <i>Hepatica triflora</i> , etc.....	131	8. <i>Hepatica triflora</i> , etc.....	131
9. <i>Acer rubrum</i>	128	9. <i>Acer rubrum</i>	128	9. <i>Acer rubrum</i>	128	9. <i>Acer rubrum</i>	128	9. <i>Acer rubrum</i>	128
10. <i>Fragaria Virginiana</i>	128	10. <i>Fragaria Virginiana</i>	128	10. <i>Fragaria Virginiana</i>	128	10. <i>Fragaria Virginiana</i>	128	10. <i>Fragaria Virginiana</i>	128
11. <i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	172	11. <i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	172	11. <i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	172	11. <i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	172	11. <i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	172
12. <i>Erythronium Americanum</i>	130	12. <i>Erythronium Americanum</i>	130	12. <i>Erythronium Americanum</i>	130	12. <i>Erythronium Americanum</i>	130	12. <i>Erythronium Americanum</i>	130
13. <i>Coptis triflora</i>	143	13. <i>Coptis triflora</i>	143	13. <i>Coptis triflora</i>	143	13. <i>Coptis triflora</i>	143	13. <i>Coptis triflora</i>	143
14. <i>Claytonia Caroliniana</i>	133	14. <i>Claytonia Caroliniana</i>	133	14. <i>Claytonia Caroliniana</i>	133	14. <i>Claytonia Caroliniana</i>	133	14. <i>Claytonia Caroliniana</i>	133
15. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	132	15. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	132	15. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	132	15. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	132	15. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	132
16. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	141	16. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	141	16. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	141	16. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	141	16. <i>Nepeta Glechoma</i>	141

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		WHEN FIRST SEEN.		WHEN BECOMING COMMON.	
		OBSERVATION REGIONS.		OBSERVATION REGIONS.	
		YEAR 1913.		YEAR 1913.	
		Day of the year corresponding to the last day of each month.		Average Dates	
	1. Yarmouth and Digby	128	132	138	148
	2. Shelburne, Queens and Lunenburg	204	230	168	190
	3. Annapolis and Kings	137	142	145	158
	4. Hants and South	125	136	130	143
	5. Halifax and Colchester	139	140	145	140
	6. Cobequid Slope, (S. Cum & Col.)	140	136	143	140
	7. N. Cumb. Col. Pictou and Antigonish	134	143	140	148
	8. Richmond and Cape Breton	143	148	158	160
	9. Bras d'Or Slope, Inverness Slope to Gulf and Victoria	148	151	158	160
	10. Inverness Slope to Gulf	143	148	158	160
	Average Dates	140	148	145	155
	For leap year add one to each except January.				
	Jan. 31	131	131	138	143
	Feb. 29	125	135	148	148
	March 31	139	148	158	151
	April 30	140	148	168	151
	May 31	136	153	170	159
	June 30	136	163	170	164
	July 31	145	170	180	169
	Aug. 31	145	170	180	174
	Sept. 30	152	170	186	174
	Oct. 31	159	170	193	174
	Nov. 30	168	170	200	174
	Dec. 31	173	170	205	174
	17 Amelanchier Canadensis, fruit ripe.	153	153	153	153
	18 Prunus Pennsylvanica, fruit ripe.	160	160	160	160
	19 Prunus Pennsylvanica, fruit ripe.	168	168	168	168
	20 Vaccinium Can. and Penn., fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	21 Vaccinium Can. and Penn., fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	22 Ranunculus acris, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	23 Ranunculus acris, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	24 R. repens, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	25 Trill. erythrocarpum, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	26 Rhododendron Rhodora, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	27 Cornus Canadensis, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	28 Cornus Canadensis, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	29 Trientalis Americana, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	30 Chionodoxa borealis, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	31 Calla palustris, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	32 Cyrtopodium acule, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	33 Cyrtopodium angustifolium, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	34 Linnaea borealis, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	35 Kalnia glauca, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	36 Kalnia angustifolia, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	37 Crataegus oxyacantha, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	38 Crataegus coccinea, etc., fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	39 Ixia versicolor, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	40 Chrysanthemum Leucanthemum, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170
	41 Nuphar arvensis, fruit ripe.	170	170	170	170

160	155	152	156	167	154	157	164	160	160	158	42	Rubus strigosus.....	165	171	163	160	161	174	157	163	165	167	167
159	167	166	171	176	172	164	227	160	160	182	43	fruit ripe.....	193	220	220	160	161	174	157	163	165	167	167
163	164	164	162	167	156	172	174	156	156	170	44	Rhinanthus Crista-galli.....	174	168	173	172	172	183	172	175	175	178	175
162	239	165	166	171	156	179	249	165	165	197	46	fruit ripe.....	211	235	236	236	236	236	236	267	267	267	175
160	169	170	171	171	175	170	169	175	175	165	47	Sarracenia purpurea.....	171	168	172	169	185	161	172	171	180	180	180
171	170	170	180	167	173	164	181	181	173	173	48	Brunella vulgaris.....	174	176	171	171	180	167	173	176	176	176	176
163	161	165	164	175	171	170	174	178	177	164	50	Rosa lucida.....	175	172	143	143	165	177	178	178	178	182	182
125	137	125	125	132	124	121	136	135	135	128	51	Leonodon autumnale.....	168	143	143	143	165	177	178	164	157	185	185
142	132	131	137	143	143	135	146	149	149	141	52	Liparia vulgaris.....	141	139	139	139	138	146	136	136	153	142	142
129	136	138	140	147	143	212	208	155	155	201	54	Ribes rubrum cultivated.....	146	139	139	140	151	149	140	148	153	148	155
130	136	131	142	160	150	141	152	155	155	144	55	R. nigrum cultivated.....	204	189	140	141	164	154	148	142	208	156	156
139	131	135	140	133	148	140	155	150	150	144	56	R. nigrum " fruit ripe.....	180	141	137	149	156	156	156	142	153	156	156
138	142	140	147	159	148	143	161	156	156	149	57	Prunus Cerasus.....	180	141	137	149	156	156	156	210	210	159	159
158	156	153	156	165	158	155	170	166	166	160	58	fruit ripe.....	206	218	218	180	180	219	219	180	155	155	
162	156	160	160	161	160	159	170	159	159	169	59	Prunus domestica.....	150	144	143	149	160	155	145	163	163	165	165
146	149	157	157	160	165	161	170	167	167	160	60	Pyrus Malus.....	157	149	152	149	154	165	156	150	166	164	164
173	162	158	164	158	164	169	167	167	167	164	61	Syringa vulgaris.....	166	164	162	160	163	171	162	161	173	171	173
180	164	166	166	168	167	114	119	114	114	115	62	Trifolium repens.....	165	166	163	162	164	167	166	170	174	173	173
106	107	109	119	114	115	119	110	110	110	112	63	Pheleum pratense.....	165	157	158	161	162	168	173	169	171	173	173
118	117	127	127	125	125	131	126	131	131	126	64	Solanum tuberosum.....	170	173	166	165	171	163	169	176	176	173	173
117	114	131	132	133	129	133	119	121	121	124	65	Ploughing (first of season).....	123	121	116	119	131	124	123	133	122	123	123
123	124	124	130	142	120	130	122	113	113	113	66	Sowing.....	134	127	126	134	134	133	138	143	138	137	137
170	173	167	167	167	167	212	216	216	216	187	67	Poste-planting.....	134	128	124	142	144	132	151	144	121	129	129
251	238	238	238	238	238	238	256	256	256	251	68	Sheep-shearing.....	133	130	133	135	140	147	133	145	233	121	121
261	267	265	265	273	273	273	273	273	273	273	69	Hay-cutting.....	198	189	189	189	167	167	176	216	223	223	223
59	87	76	76	80	75	76	69	85	85	79	70	Crain-cutting.....	204	204	204	204	204	204	204	242	260	260	
74	101	80	89	80	75	76	69	85	85	79	71	Crain-cutting.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
107	147	105	112	108	122	121	126	131	131	121	72	Potato-digging.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
115	129	119	129	130	128	131	132	141	141	128	73a	Opening of rivers.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
125	129	119	143	138	160	133	143	152	152	138	73b	Opening of lakes.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
151	157	140	154	154	160	174	159	159	159	157	74a	Least snow to whiten ground.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
76	107	82	85	154	91	84	131	104	104	102	74b	Last spring frost—hard.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	289	75a	Water in streams—high.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
256	256	287	295	295	295	295	295	295	295	295	75b	Water in streams—low.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
302	302	259	302	304	304	303	304	304	304	304	76a	First autumn frost—hard.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
333	305	277	304	304	304	303	304	304	304	304	76b	First snow to fly in air.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
339	320	331	305	306	306	306	350	350	350	350	77a	Closing of lakes.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
354	354	354	354	354	354	354	354	354	354	354	77b	Closing of lakes.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
99	84	85	85	86	74	80	91	89	89	89	78a	Wild ducks migrating, N.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
265	304	83	84	78	86	80	308	86	86	86	78b	Wild ducks migrating, S.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	
108	82	83	84	78	86	80	308	86	86	86	82a	Wild geese migrating N.....	289	274	274	274	274	274	274	276	282	282	

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Jan.	31	July.	212	Jan.	31	July.	212	Jan.	31	July.	212
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284	349	283	281	298	301	328	Wild geese migrating North.	301	301	301	301
111	79	99	87	94	99	93	83 Melospiza fasciata	99	99	99	99
70	76	68	79	73	62	79	84 Turdus migratorius	85	85	85	85
79	66	163	75	80	70	92	85 Junco hiemalis	91	91	89	89
121	117	100	131	123	124	139	86 Actitis macularia	117	117	121	121
...	96	87	111	...	124	139	87 Sturnella magna	170	170	228	228
...	126	121	102	121	116	115	88 Ceryle alcyon	118	118	117	117
118	157	104	130	152	117	134	89 Dendroica coronata	131	131	135	135
120	140	133	134	151	124	140	90 D. sevia	131	131	135	135
136	125	100	124	186	126	137	91 Zenotrichia alba	139	139	124	124
160	152	145	143	139	142	141	92 Trochilus colubris	143	143	146	146
110	160	106	131	131	143	141	93 Tyrannus Carolinensis	143	143	135	135
...	144	104	134	140	144	144	94 D. polychoris oryzivorus	124	124	124	124
...	145	91	138	120	141	144	95 Spiza trisalis	118	118	125	125
...	122	90	153	123	154	180	96 Sceloporus rusticella	114	114	132	132
...	150	146	114	166	97 Ampelis virginianus	114	114	142	142
...	137	125	123	121	115	138	98 Chordeiles virginianus	142	142	130	130
89	84	95	96	100	100	96	99 First piping of frogs.	107	107	97	97
80	93	106	108	106	107	109	100 First appearance, snakes.	116	116	105	105

THUNDERSTORMS—PHENOLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS, NOVA SCOTIA, 1913.

The indices indicate the number of stations from which the Thunderstorms were reported on the day of the year specified.

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	7					3				3
8 ²	8 ³	8								7
			12	12						8 ²
	13 ²									12 ²
					14					13 ²
	18		18	18	18					14
			19	19						18 ⁴
	26		26							19 ²
	27 ²						27			26 ²
31										27 ²
				39						31
				50						39
	53 ²			53						50
										53 ²
										63 ²
							64	63	63	64
	65				65		65 ⁴	65	65	65 ¹⁰
	70						70			70 ²
						73				73
74 ²	74 ⁵		74 ²			75 ²	75			74 ²
75	75	75 ⁴	75							75 ¹¹
				78						78
						84	84 ²			84 ²
			87							87
				88						88
						90				90
95	95 ³			95						95 ⁵
				96						96
				102						102
	105									105
						106				106
		107		107 ³						107 ⁴
	108									108
109 ⁵	109 ¹⁰	109	109							109 ²⁶
	110				110					110 ²
						111				111
115	115		115			115				115 ⁴
						116				116
	117 ³	117 ⁵	117 ⁴		117 ²	117 ⁴				117 ²⁶

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							201			201
							202 ²			202 ²
							216			216
							221			221
							222 ²			222 ²
	231									231
	239 ²	239 ²								239 ²
	240		240			240 ³	240			240 ⁶
						242				242
	246	246								246 ²
	251 ²	251				247				247
										251 ³
						255	255 ³			255 ⁴
						270				270
			274							274
	275		275	275		275				275 ⁴
		276								276
277 ²	277	281								277 ³
	286									286
	289 ²			289		189				289 ⁴
						290				290
300						294				294
			301			301				300
304										301 ²
							308			304
										308
		311								311
	314									314
			315							315
	344									344