

Mr. M. PETTIT: Some few years ago I planted 25 trees at Grimsby. The fourth summer they were out they netted me \$1 each; and they came into bearing so early, and bore so heavily, that this spring I planted 1,400 more, and I think I can make more money on them at \$1 a barrel than growing apples at \$4 or \$5 a barrel.

Mr. EDWARDS: Mr. Stinson has at some of our Peterborough meetings spoken very highly of the Kieffer pear for canning purposes, and they were grown in this county.

The clause was passed without change.

Dana's Hovey, quoted at 8 and 4—no quotations hitherto.

The PRESIDENT: That is a considerable drop.

Dr. BEADLE: It is good for nothing for market. It is good enough for amateurs.

Lawrence, changed from 7 and 8 to 8 and 6.

The PRESIDENT: Why was that lowered?

Dr. BEADLE: Because someone who had had experience in marketing it suggested it. I can only ask my colleagues to explain, as I have had no experience in marketing it myself.

The SECRETARY: I think the Committee is about right in that. It is an excellent pear for dessert—nothing we like better for home eating—but the size and color are somewhat against it.

Mr. A. M. SMITH: My family generally market all I can grow of it. I don't think it would be a very bad pear for market this time of year. I am inclined to think they have put the market value too low. If kept till the Christmas season and sold on our markets, it brings a very good price.

The PRESIDENT: I certainly would like to move that up a little for market.

Mr. SMITH: I move that it be increased two points for market—that is to leave it where it was.

Mr. CLINE: One particular reason we put that so low is that all pear shippers know that there is not much market for winter pears in Canada. You send pears to market now, and you would scarcely sell them at all. Just a few baskets will sell, and a small pear will not sell as much as a big one.

The PRESIDENT: I think the finest pears to go on the market to-day are Beurre D'Anjou and the Lawrence. When we can raise the Lawrence in its dessert qualities we should not put it back in its market. That is giving it a "black eye"—and it is too good a pear to get a black eye.

Mr. HILBORN seconded Mr. Smith's motion.

Mr. EDWARDS: It is a pear that will grow well here.

The motion was carried to leave it at 8 for market.

The report as a whole, as amended, was then adopted. (See Appendix III.)

The SECRETARY: It has always been our custom to appoint a committee to examine and report on the fruit. I would move that a committee be appointed by the chair for that purpose.

Mr. CASTON seconded the motion. Carried.

The PRESIDENT: I would now call for Mr. Hutt's paper. I am sorry it is so near the close of the session, but we can take it up again at our evening session and complete the discussion of it, if there should be need.