

MR. WALKER had not cropped his orchard for years, but ploughed every autumn about three inches deep, turning under the grass.

R. W. STARR.—By ploughing every season there would be no difficulty about injuring the roots.

We must look for other markets in addition to those of London and Liverpool. Boston and New York would usually take our Gravensteins, and there was a good market in Philadelphia for Belleflowers when apples were not too plenty in the States.

PRESIDENT HART.—As a rule, our Baldwins are inferior to those of Ontario and the States, but our Gravensteins, Ribstons and Non-pariels are superior to any grown elsewhere.

MR. KELLEY.—There is an extensive market in Glasgow for apples, and all we require is direct steamers. He advised shipping only first class apples; let all the second be made into jam. A good business could be done in preserving fruit.

MR. WHITMAN had met a lady from London who had never seen an apple pie, which showed the people were not yet educated to using fruit. Our fruit was hardy. Send only the good stuff properly packed and there will be no difficulty; increase the orchards; the more apples we raise the greater will be our advantages.

The SECRETARY.—About the first of November last, at the request of Prof. Lawson, Secretary for Agriculture, I prepared a collection of 118 varieties of apples for Exhibition in Edinburgh. This exhibit had evidently attracted attention, and would no doubt greatly assist the introduction of Nova Scotia apples into that market. The following letter from Mr. Dunn (which was accompanied by a circular letter from the Hon. Secretary,) needs no explanation:—

To C. R. H. STARR, Esq.,

*Sec'y-Treasurer Fruit Growers' Assn., Nova Scotia:*

DEAR SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated November 5, 1885, and the safe arrival of the splendid collection of Nova Scotia apples in good time for the Apple and Pear Congress held at Edinburgh. Everything was found exactly as your letter stated, and the other particulars were received from Professor Lawson in due time. Altogether the collection was *admirably got up, correctly named*, (so far at least as known to the best Pomologists in this country,) and arrived in perfect condition. I saw it unpacked and set up, and a better collection of apples was never set on an