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Mr. C. R. Dickie asked if any person had tested the Newton Pippin? Up to the present time King's has taken the lead, realizing as high as 32s. Mr. Dickie held it was not our choice, but the English buyer's. We should grow with a view to shipping to the British market. Those shy bearers must want something in the soil to cause them to bear. He had on one occasion put about a foot of soil around a shy bearer and next year it bore well. Another man had irrigated with good results. It is this year's work that tells next year.

Mr. R. Carruthers, Cape Traverse, recommended Ben Davis.

Mr. J. Robertson in reply to Mr. Peter Robertson, considered Williams' Favorite a good kind, but the trouble with these soft varieties is they cannot be packed without bruising them.

Mr. F. G. Boyer thought we should get kinds which do not require spraying, Golden Russets for instance.

Mackintosh Red, Mr. Bayfield said, next to Fameuse, was liable to scab. He said it could be kept clean by spraying it four or five times a year.

Adjourned till 8 o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

The business of the meeting was resumed at 8 o'clock, p. m.

GOVERNMENT AID.

Mr. H. A. Stewart, Hamilton, brought up the matter of obtaining aid from the Government. He considered we should have small experimental stations such as have been established in Ontario. These stations only cost a few hundred dollars a year.

Hon. D. Farquharson said that the Government was in sympathy with the Association, and desired to assist its efforts towards the improvement of fruit-growing throughout the province. He thought that if some of our young men were to learn grafting, etc., and were sent among the farmers to give object lessons to those who were not acquainted with the best methods, good would be done. The sooner our people began orcharding with a view to shipment to the British markets, the better for them and the province at large.

Mr. F. G. Boyer did not believe in experimental stations. They had not done much for Canada. He had studied them closely and except the chemical reports of the professors there was very little benefit derived from them. Our cheese industry had been established by the Government sending one man here to instruct the farmers and show them how to carry on the business. If the money spent were given through this association there would be thousands of orchards all over the country as object lessons for others.

Mr. Bayfield thought we never could gather reliable information from the