

that it resembles the McIntosh and Fameuse somewhat in appearance. We find that although each seed produces a different variety yet it will often resemble the parent more or less. The McIntosh was a seedling of the Fameuse and we find that some of the McIntosh seedlings resemble the Fameuse or the McIntosh to a greater or less extent; the seedlings of the Wealthy resemble the Wealthy and so on; but none of them are identical; they are all different.

*By Mr. Christie:*

Q. Would you recommend a farmer living five miles from the railway to put out a fall apple?

A. Are you speaking of a farmer's orchard or the orchard of a man who is making apple growing a speciality?

*By Mr. Christie:*

Q. Let me give you a buyer's experience. A buyer told me he would rather give a dollar a barrel for a fall apple that was grown within a mile of a railway station than 50 cents for one that had to be drawn five miles?

A. There is a good deal in that?

*By Mr. Caldwell:*

Q. In our part of the country summer and fall apples are grown. They have found difficulty in growing the Northern Spy and the result is we have not yet produced a good winter apple in the district?

A. There are places where men are making a speciality of winter kinds. Other growers make nearly as much money from growing summer and fall apples and shipping them to the old country and the Northwest as they can out of winter apples, that is if they ship them properly.

*By Mr. Christie:*

Q. The buyer to whom I referred states that drawing apples five miles injures them greatly?

A. It does injure summer apples; they have to be handled much more carefully than the others. If you are speaking of a man who is a farmer as well as fruit grower I should not recommend him to plant the earlier varieties. The Wealthy comes in late enough any way and will keep until November in some parts of Ontario. The Stark is a profitable winter variety.

Q. Is that a shy bearer too?

A. No, a very heavy bearer.

If there are any other questions upon which you would like information I shall be glad to reply. There is much more material in connection with our department that I can give you if there is any special phase of the work that you would like me to speak upon. Let me repeat again that this question of raising Canadian apples is a very hopeful one. Just to give you an idea of the Canadian apples that we have. There is the Fameuse, for instance, considered by some to be the best apple of its season in the world. There is the McIntosh, a seedling of the Fameuse, which a great many people think is better than the Fameuse. These are both Canadian apples. There is the Baxter apple, which Mr. Martin spoke of, which originated near Brockville. It is one of the handsomest apples that we have. It lacks flavour and is rather coarse in flesh, but it sells well in the Old Country. It looks so much like the King that it has been taken for that variety. The Baxter will keep well on into the winter. Those are three Canadian apples. Then we have a Canadian apple which is a cross between the Northern Spy and the Wagener the Ontario. It is proving profitable to some growers and is very much like the Spy.