

considered necessary when spraying is properly done, as recommended in the publications of this division."

Prince Edward Island Fruit-growers' Association.

Annual Meeting at Charlottetown.

The annual meeting of the above association took place at Charlottetown on March 21st. The attendance was large and representative.

President Bayfield presided. The auditor's report showed a balance on hand of \$78.79. Senator Ferguson's report re shipments of apples, etc., was next read. Then followed the directors' annual report, which embraced a detailed statement of the various shipments of fruit to Great Britain during the year, also urging the necessity of inspection and handling at shipping ports.

President Bayfield delivered his annual address. He said, among other things: "On the same quantity of land twenty cents' worth of potatoes can be grown and a dollar's worth of apples. It is, therefore, five times more profitable to grow the latter. Yet, the reason the former are grown is because our farmers know all about growing potatoes, and, as a general rule, know little about fruit."

Mr. Joseph Nise, Commissioner to Britain on Prince Edward Island trade, gave a brief report of the manner in which apples were tested in London after arrival there.

Rev. A. E. Burke, of Alberton, moved the following resolution, which was adopted: "That the Department of Agriculture be requested to remedy the defects in the shipping facilities in all steamers, and establish a system of registration of transportation in the holds of vessels," etc. John Robertson, Inkerman, gave a list of apples according to points of merit in the markets.

"The Northern Spy," he said, "should be top-grafted. The Wealthy was not a hardy tree, but a good bearer. R. I. Greening was a good healthy tree. The Mann was also good."

H. A. Stewart read a paper entitled "Some Things Essential to Fruit-growing." The Gideon, he said, was a poor bearer; the Wealthy succeeded well; and that the Ben Davis was also a good variety. For early apples he found none to take the place of the Dutchess, Yellow Transparent and Red Astrachan.

His Honor Governor Howland read a list of the best selling varieties in London. Hon. Premier Farquharson made an encouraging address, promising additional assistance.

Mr. Fred. Boyer was of the opinion that these experiment stations were of no use whatever. He studied the ones we had already in other sections of Canada, and found very little success or any benefit from these stations. He considered if the farmers them-

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