

CRANBERRIES.

A. S. FISHER.—The cranberry bogs of Aylesford will yet equal in value the dyked marshes of Cornwallis, or the old orchards of Annapolis. He estimated that 50 acres between Kingsdon and Kentville had been prepared and planted during the past season, and undoubtedly would, in a few years, be one of the leading industries of the country.

The PRESIDENT.—It is very necessary to have cranberry plantations situated where they can be flooded.

A. B. PARKER.—If this is necessary, but few acres will be successful. He believed the smoke from a bushel of burning chips at different points around the edge of the bog would often prove a protection from frost, the smoke would settle and form a blanket.

MR. FISHER.—Smoke has been tried at Aylesford, but not successfully. In Michigan they had erected extensive machinery for the purpose of flooding.

MR. PARKER.—Mr. Fisher defeated his own ends by making hot fires,—make smoke fires of wet chips or something that will burn slowly and make smoke.

The PRESIDENT referred to the work of the Association and the necessity for all fruit-growers to unite in membership, the advantages of such meetings as this for mutual instruction, the necessity for continued efforts to obtain a Frost-Proof Warehouse at Halifax, and better freight rates, etc.

MR. FITCH.—The farmers are more easily gulled than any other class, simply from the want of information easily obtained at such meetings as this. All farmers would find it to their advantage to attend.

MR. MILLER.—The history of the Association will be found to be closely identified with the introduction of our apples into the English market, and the correct nomenclature of our fruits is almost entirely due to this Association, who have frequently sent collections to the States and elsewhere, in order to have proper names confirmed.

The advantages to be obtained when this Association shall number its members by the thousand, can hardly be over-estimated.

At a late hour the meeting adjourned.

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