

paid to the fruit growers who furnished apples to be shipped on their own account, and the net prices received for each variety. Ribstons and Russets sold by Nothard & Lowe, netted \$3.44 per barrel. Russets sold by Garcia, Jacobs & Co. netted \$2.98. Ribstons sold by Garcia, Jacobs & Co. netted \$2.06. Kings all sold by Garcia, Jacobs & Co. netted \$2.76. Spys to both firms netted \$2 52. Ben Davis all of which were entrusted to Nothard & Lowe, netted \$2.52. Baldwins sold by Nothard & Lowe, netted \$2.52. Baldwins sold by Garcia, Jacobs & Co., netted \$2.18. Pewaukees, all of which were entrusted to Nothard & Lowe netted \$2.18. The Talmans and Swaars, both of which varieties were consigned to Nothard & Lowe, realized net \$1.83 and \$1.57 respectively. The commission charged by both firms was the same, being 5 per cent. The petty charges in London were about eight pence per barrel and the freight as already stated four shillings and ten pence.

The expenses on this side are entirely made up of cash paid out by the undersigned, and no charge is made for his personal services of any kind. The total amount paid for apples purchased was \$124 34. Returns in cash to persons who shipped on their own account amounted to \$176.37, expenses on this side to \$44 78. In all \$346 09. The returns from the British Merchants was \$352 67, leaving a balance of \$6 58 in favor of the transaction for which the undersigned's cheque has been presented to the funds of the Association.

It is pleasing to find that despite drawbacks and disadvantages arising from want of experience this trial shipment has proved entirely successful, and that Prince Edward Island apples have merited such favorable comments from the British Merchants who handled them. The undersigned has no hesitation in recording his conviction, arising from pretty wide examination of the product of our apple trees, that with careful attention to planting, fertilizing, pruning, spraying and grafting, fruit growing will become in the near future one of our best industries. There is no cause for discounting the capabilities of our soil and climate. All the best varieties, suitable to temperate climates, thrive well, under good treatment, in Prince Edward Island.

Herewith is attached a list of the names of all the fruit growers who furnished apples for this trial shipment and it is suggested that their names be preserved on the records of the Association. To all those persons thanks is due for cordial and in many cases enthusiastic co-operation. The undersigned also desires to thank our Secretary, Mr. McCourt, for his kindness in writing to the consignees, recommending these shipments in the name of the Association.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. FERGUSON.

Tulloch Avenue, Dec. 17, 1898.

* It is necessary to state here that the account of sales of apples shipped by Hon. Senator Ferguson, on his own account, the names of the varieties, and names of growers of same, are not included in this report, but kept in the records of the Association.

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