

more easily handled than the larger barrel, and it holds three bushels or standard boxes of apples, or as near as a barrel can."

Eben. James, Toronto: "Most sections in Ontario use the thirty-inch stave, but in the Niagara district and in portions of Quebec the growers use the twenty-eight and a half inch stave. I am an advocate of the large barrel. If Nova Scotia's apple trade grows as rapidly as the growers seem to expect they will soon have to ship apples to other markets and when they do they will be compelled to use a larger barrel."

Mr. Dewar: "We might as well permit the sizes as now used, as conditions will soon right themselves. The Nova Scotia growers will soon find that the loss they sustain through shipping apples in the small barrels is so great they will be forced to use the large barrel."

Rolt. Thompson, St. Catharines: "When enacting legislation relating to the apple barrel the government should specify the dimensions of the barrel."

Mr. Onslow, of Niagara-on-the-Lake, did not think that it would be possible for the government to recognize two standards.

Mr. Thompson pointed out that there were different standard baskets.

Mr. M. C. Smith, of Burlington, offered to wager that not a barrel had been made in Nova Scotia that measured ninety-six imperial quarts and not one that contained three bushels. A Nova Scotia delegate said that much of the trouble over the size of the barrels was caused by the fact that the coopers do not turn out barrels that are uniform in size. The discussion ended by the carrying by a large majority of the following resolution: "Whereas there are two sizes of apple barrels in general use in Canada, and whereas it would appear that uniformity would be more nearly obtained by the adoption of the specified standard sizes for use in Canada, be it resolved that the conference recommend the government to provide two standards, one the 96-quart barrel commonly used in Nova Scotia, and the other the 112-quart barrel commonly used in Ontario, and that the Department provide for the enforcement of the use by all growers and dealers, of one or the other of these standards, and that the manufacturers be held responsible."

## The National Fruit Growers Association

As previously announced in THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST, a national fruit-growers' association was formed by the delegates who attended the recent Dominion Fruit Conference in Ottawa. The following draft constitution was adopted:

1. This association shall be called the Canadian National Fruit-Growers' Association.

### OBJECTS

2. The objects of the association shall be:
- To encourage improvements in fruit growing.
  - To develop markets for fruit abroad.
  - To initiate and influence legislation affecting Canadian fruit interests and generally to take such action as the

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