

Provincial Fruit Growers

Official Report of the Meeting Lately Held at Vancouver.

Attendance Large and Some Very Valuable Information Gained—New Officers.

The annual meeting of the British Columbia Fruit Growers' Association was held in the Court House, at Vancouver, B. C., on Thursday, the 22nd January, at 2 p. m., there being a large and enthusiastic attendance.

Among those present were Messrs. H. Kipp, J. M. Palmer, J. C. Metcalf, A. C. Wilson, Tom Wilson, T. Cunningham, J. Love, J. de C. Wetherill, H. B. Gold, R. E. Nelson, M. P. F. H. Beker, T. Lewis, W. J. Brandt and several others.

The meeting was called to order at 2 p. m. by the president, Mr. Kipp, who opened proceedings by an address dealing with the work accomplished by the association for the past year, which was received with applause.

Mr. W. J. Brandt then read the minutes of the previous annual meeting, which on motion of Mr. Palmer, was adopted.

Mr. Palmer then read the financial statement, showing that there was a balance to the credit of the association, which was highly satisfactory.

Mr. Palmer read the report of the committee upon Transportation, which upon motion of Mr. Tom Wilson, was adopted.

Mr. Wastell, representing the Brunette Saw Mill Co., then addressed the meeting on the box car question, and a sample box made under the Ontario favor with respect to Manitoba.

Mr. Wastell explained that it was not the desire to thrust this particular car upon the fruit growers, but that the principal point was to get a standard box to be used generally.

After the address had been made and adopted, Mr. Earle's address on "Growing in the Interior and of his duties as a grower in the interest of the association."

Mr. Earle gave an address on "Marketing and Transportation of Fruit," and discussion followed on an important question, and the meeting adjourned at 2 p. m. after a vote of thanks had been tendered Mr. Earle for his most instructive and interesting address.

The meeting convened at 2:30 and discussion on Mr. Palmer's address was resumed.

It was moved by Mr. Brandt, seconded by Mr. A. C. Wilson, "That the Canadian Pacific Railway be recommended to the government of British Columbia, the necessary and important of continuing the work carried on by Mr. Earle, in connection with the transportation of fruit and farm products in British Columbia, and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. J. D. Prentice, minister of finance and general freight agent, C. P. R."

Moved by Mr. Cunningham and seconded by Mr. Tom Wilson: "That, where the Canadian Pacific Railway company has an earnest desire to encourage the development of the fruit-growing industry of the Northwest Territories and the Northwest Territories, and otherwise assist the fruit-growers and other settlers of the province, it be therefore resolved that this annual meeting of the Fruit-Growers' Association in place on record its sincere desire to assist the managers and officers of the said Canadian Pacific Railway company, which they have met the desires and suggestions of the executive and directors of this association."

Resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Messrs. R. Marpole, F. W. Peters, R. E. Nelson, and to the Hon. J. D. Prentice, Minister of Agriculture.

Mr. H. Kipp's paper on "Varieties of Apples Profitable in the Interior" was read, which brought up a discussion and questions, which were answered by Mr. Kipp and Mr. Cunningham.

Mr. Brandt read a paper on the "Curation of the Evergreen Blackberry."

Mr. Metcalf read an address on "Hints to Command the Trade in the Northwest."

On motion of Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Tom Wilson, it was resolved: "That this paper of our president's be accepted as a report on the condition and copies be placed in my hands and sent to Mr. F. W. Peters, of the Canadian Pacific Railway company."

Samples of sulphate of copper of different grades, furnished by Mr. Charles Nelson, were then inspected, and the members to avoid sulphate of iron.

On motion of Mr. Tom Wilson, seconded by Mr. Earle, the meeting adjourned after a vote of thanks to the janitor, Mr. Green.

After adjournment, Mr. Cunningham exhibited a spraying pump and explained the best features, necessity for care, etc., to the members.

W. J. BRANDT, Secretary.

NEW C. P. R. EQUIPMENT.

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ent varieties of useful and destructive insects," which was carried unanimously.

Mr. Love suggested in this connection that it would be greatly benefited if they could teach the small boy to respect the small birds, and the secretary was instructed to embody this in the resolution.

Mr. Cunningham then read a paper on "Spraying," which was followed by a few remarks urging the members to spray and likewise pointed out the secretary for care being bestowed upon their sprayers.

Messrs. Thrift, Kipp, Tom Wilson and Nelson engaged in discussion upon various subjects, and Mr. Nelson called attention to the poor quality of sulphate of copper often purchased for this purpose, which contains a large proportion of sulphate of iron, and showed how it was impossible to get sulphate of copper at the prices quoted at the works in England.

He also pointed out how this could be roughly tested by the difference in appearance.

Mr. Brandt read a paper "On the Kitchen Garden," which received with hearty applause.

The meeting then adjourned until 10 o'clock in the morning, and the following meeting was called to order at 10:30 by the president, and the minutes of the previous meeting were read on printing, to the effect that Mr. Anderson had intimated that the government should be asked to purchase from the report and hoped to have it issued by June.

Discussion arose on the revision of the constitution and by-laws. It was moved by Mr. Earle, seconded by Mr. Kipp, on some amendments proposed from the report and approved by the members.

Mr. Palmer and the Secretary should constitute the Executive committee, and a resolution was adopted to the effect that Mr. Earle's name be added to this committee.

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QUARTZ-CONGLOMERATE RIVER, YUKON

Discoveries Which Stagger the Mind by the Immensity of Their Possibilities—Wealth That Surpasses That of the World-Famed "Rand."

Free Milling Deposits Rich in Gold Which Will Supply 20,000 Stamps for One Hundred Years and Adjacent to the Coal Fields.

Recent discoveries on Indian River, a tributary of the Yukon, have led mining men of experience to the conviction that the Klondike gold fields, far from being exhausted, are about to enter upon an era of profitable development.

The following question is discussed: "The Klondike gold fields, far from being exhausted, are about to enter upon an era of profitable development."

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A LOST MUMMY.

For Which Its Owner Recovers Damages.

From London Morning Leader.

Yesterday Mr. Justice Darling and a special jury heard a case in which Mrs. Alice, a lady who has traveled a great deal in South America, sued the London & Northwestern railway for damages sustained by a mummy.

It appeared that the late British vice-consul at Caracas presented plaintiff with a female mummy of the type known as the royal family of Peru 900 years ago, and the mummy was placed in a trunk at the museum at Melle, in Belgium.

The mummy reached Liverpool safely, and was entrusted to the defendants for conveyance to Belgium. Plaintiff now contended that, owing to the negligence of the defendants, the mummy had been destroyed.

Mr. Kemp, for the plaintiff, said that when the case arrived in London it was mislaid. In the case, in addition to the mummy, there were two ancient skulls and an ancient piece of pottery.

The case was opened in London, and the defendant was ordered to pay damages of £300 by being deprived of the mummy.

Under the coroner's direction, the jury dead at the railway goods station, St. Paul street, on the 15th of April, and did not return a verdict until the 17th.

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Sealing Fleet On West Coast

Queen City Reports That All the Vessels Are Securing Crews.

Where the Various Schooners Are at Present—Notes of Waterfront.

Steamer Queen City, Capt. Townsend, arrived from the West Coast yesterday.

One of the fastest winter trips that have been made to Cape Scott and away ports. She brought a large number of passengers, including a number of miners.

The Queen City confirmed the identity of the boat found at Ahousett as one belonging to the Captain.

Townsend went to see the scene and examined the boat, which, from his investigation, he believes to be one of those belonging to the Captain.

The Queen City also brought news of the mining from the West Coast. All the schooners are being secured in getting crews.

The C. D. Rand was secured with 12 canoes, 11 canoes; Haulitz, 10 canoes. The Penelope and the Victoria were secured at Kytquot with the schooners Otto and the Victoria.

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THOUSANDS OF OUR CANADIAN WOMEN HAVE FOUND THE TRUB FOUNTAIN OF HEALTH.

Paine's Celery Compound

A Sure Banisher of Its Peculiar to Women.

Dr. Phelps' famous prescription, Paine's Celery Compound, has been and is now freely prescribed by many of our ablest physicians for the relief of the most distressing ailments of women.

It affords me much pleasure to testify to the great good the Paine's Celery Compound has done for me. I was completely run down in health and a victim of female weakness, with only three bottles of Paine's Celery Compound I was completely cured. It is the best blood purifier I know of.

