of that apple, plant your whole country with Northern Spys and you cannot make any mistake. We cannot make any money out of it. I have no words in favor of the Ben Davis. It comes right into the market when it is met by your Fameuse, and if you can grow the Mackintosh Red as I have seen the samples here to-day—we cannot grow it without the scab—you meet the Ben Davis with the Fameuse and the Mackintosh Red, and we stand no sort of a show. You grow Ben Davis not to sell against the Fameuse and the Mackintosh Red; you grow it for next year's market, and the idea of putting it on the market when better apples are being sold is perfectly outrageous. (Hear, hear.) Don't send your Ben Davis off to be examined and sold at auction when good apples are being sold. Let people grow Ben Davis, selling them if they have a mind to; they won't hurt you as long as you can put in your Greenings. While Ben Davis are being sold at \$1.75 men are trying to find some Canadian Greenings and are willing to pay \$3.75 a barrel for them.

Mr. Shuttleworth: I think the best Ben Davis have come from Southern Illinois this year.

Mr. Pettit: Nebraska will knock them out.

Mr. McNeill: A very large dealer in Detroit said they got them from Missouri.

Mr. RICE: Mr. Augustine, in Illinois, has planted 40,000 Ben Davis apple trees and calculates to supply the world. They calculate they will build a special line of railway to the seaboard and have a special line of steamers to carry them into the foreign market. (Laughter.)

Mr. Race: If you were planting trees for your children you would certainly recommend planting the Spy ?

 $\operatorname{Mr.\ Rice}:\ \operatorname{No},\ \operatorname{sir},\ \operatorname{I}\ \operatorname{would}\ \operatorname{not},\ \operatorname{because}\ \operatorname{I}\ \operatorname{want}\ \operatorname{my}\ \operatorname{children}\ \operatorname{to}\ \operatorname{have}\ \operatorname{apples}.$ (Laughter.)

Mr. BOULTER: If you were living in Canada would you advise planting Northern Spys?

Mr. RICE: Taking the Canadian evidence for it that it is bearing well.

Mr. Boulter: Did I understand you to say that your locality has given up growing them ?

Mr. Rice: No; I say they do not bear well there, and there has never been a dollar taken out over and above expenses. A man went down to Canada and bought a carload of Golden Russets, Northern Spys, Tolman Sweets and several other varieties—Baldwins, I think, a few; he sold them right out at \$3 a barrel without any difficulty whatever at the same time that the Ben Davis was being sold at \$1.75. As to the quality of those Tolman Sweets, we never saw anything grown in our vicinity that equalled them at all. I looked over the Greenings and there was not a worm-hole anywhere on them. The Greenings in western New York even have worm-holes. Now there are more varieties than simply the Northern Spy that will bring you good prices if you grow them. (Hear, hear.) It was stated at our Horticultural Society meeting that the Baldwin is no longer worth planting. The time was that it was said that if a man had a thousand trees to plant he should plant 999 Baldwins and then go and get a Baldwin to finish up with; and those same orchards have had to be cut down because they are not bearing, and the Baldwin is going out of bearing throughout our whole country. If you can grow them you can send them the world over.

Mr. McNeill . It grows here well yet.

Mr. RICE: If the Baldwin grows well with you, go ahead with it; but, if you have an apple that does not bear, what is the use of planting out an orchard that has no profit in it? So we are not recommending the Baldwin in Michigan any more. The trees are so affected by scab that we have to drop it out.

Mr. Caston: In our sections we have a large class of beautiful fall apples. They come to great excellence and perfection of size and beauty, and many are of very good quality. Now, if we could get a market for these apples, there is more money in them

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