

that the producers name was not on a barrel should be regarded as an intimation to all intending purchasers that the fruit was not first-class.

The CHAIRMAN said that the sins of the grocer or dealer could not excuse the dishonesty of the packer. Every fruit grower and packer knew the difference between No. 1 apples and No. 2 apples, and it was the packer and exporter that should be dealt with by the Association.

After some further discussion A. McN. PATTERSON moved the following resolution, which passed unanimously :—

"*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Association the law should compel every grower or packer of fruit to put his name and the quality of the fruit on the barrel, and be subject to a fine if the fruit is not according to the marking."

PROF. SMITH gave an interesting address relating his experience in fruit raising on the Experimental Farm at Truro. He said apples will grow in the Kings and Annapolis Valley whether we want them to do so or not. He had been repeatedly assured that fruit will not grow in Cumberland, Colchester, Antigonish and the Counties of the Island of Cape Breton; but he had asked men in those counties if they could not grow small fruit, and the reply was, "Oh! no; we have to depend upon the wild strawberries." Another, while farming an orchard which had lived 50 years in spite of neglect, assured him apples could not be grown in that district. Yet he had been surprised to see the fine exhibits at some of the autumn exhibitions. Much of the fruit had been grown on hillsides, in neglected orchards, and in places exposed to bleak winds. If such fruit can be grown under these conditions, what must be the result of proper care and cultivation? Prof. Smith gave a detailed account of the number of trees and plants put out on the farm and the expense of planting and caring for them. He had found the best results from farm yard manure, and considered the best time to haul it on the land was as soon as it was made.

This address was followed by some discussion in regard to the location of the Provincial Experimental Farm.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the American House at 7.30.

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