

Mr. W. S. Blair then spoke of fruit-growing in the Province of New Brunswick. On a recent visit to that Province he had seen excellent varieties such as the Ben Davis, Northern Spy, and King of Tompkins. He said the St. John River Valley was well adapted to the raising of fruit. He was present at the Farmers' Association held at Fredericton last year. Mr. J. E. Starr was there, and he heard him remark that the apples on the table at that meeting were equally good with those produced in the Annapolis Valley. He believed that in the St. John River Valley and Carleton County, they had a good fruit-producing country. The attention given to cultivation is not what it should be. He also noticed that they had the first shipment from Prince Edward Island this year which netted them from \$2.50 to \$2.75 per barrel.

Mr. E. Brown (Yarmouth) said, referring to fruit growing in his County that a few years ago it was thought impossible to get a collection of fruit from Yarmouth county. There is an old English apple called the "Keswick Codlin" which thrives well in his County. The orchards inland were very good, but along the coast they were exposed to high winds and cold which are most destructive to tender vegetation. There are certain kinds of plants destroyed by the south winds. At times violent gales from the ocean have a blighting influence. When they began fruit growing in 1867, there were scarcely half a dozen men in the County who knew a Gravenstein from a short Horn—but there were now growing in Yarmouth County about 160 or 170 varieties of apples. For a number of years their Agricultural Society had imported fruit grafts which were sold to the different Nurseries—and from these a number of orchards were planted which are doing well. Sections which are sufficiently remote from the sea coast and which have a warmer climate grow superior fruit. The Yellow Bellefleur usually called the Bishop Pippin, grows well. One thing he had observed was that their markets were well supplied with fruit from California and he thought the California people could teach us a lesson in shipping fruit. They send their tender fruit all the way to Nova Scotia without a blemish, season after season. It was the perfection in packing that had always struck him as being a valuable lesson to