

FRUIT GROWERS' ASSOCIATION

Held Annual Session at Bridgetown—Instructive Addresses Given

The 58th annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association was held at Bridgetown last week.

The opening session was held Tuesday evening, and was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Underwood, of Bridgetown.

Professor John M. Truman, of the N. S. Agricultural College, spoke on the subject of home grown crops, and dwelt on the importance of the hay crop to all those interested in mixed farming.

Wednesday morning's session opened at 9.30 and the greater portion of the morning was occupied listening to the address of Mr. B. Leslie Emslie, consulting Agricultural Commissioner.

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tawa, had made some good experiments along these lines, but the success which he had met in Ontario and Quebec, would not apply to Nova Scotia, as the same variety of apples growing in the Maritime Provinces were not of the same flavor and firmness as those grown in the inland Provinces, this to be understood to refer only to the experiments made at Ottawa along these lines.

Prof. Blair said that the transportation companies had greatly improved in the manner in which they handled our fruit; and would not keep inefficient men in their employ twenty minutes whom they had formerly employed for years. He also said that the men employed by the transportation companies were in many cases taking better care of our fruit than those who were working in some of the warehouses. He would not say that it was careless, perhaps thoughtfulness, but a fruit grower in the audience said cussedness.

The evening meeting was also largely attended. G. P. Raymond, of Berwick, read a very interesting paper by Prof. George E. Sanders, formerly of the Entomological Laboratory at Annapolis Royal, who has accepted a more lucrative position in the United States. The subject of this address was "Recent Results from Dust Spraying." Many questions were asked, all of which were replied to by Mr. Kelsall, of the Annapolis Station. C. W. Baxter gave an illustrated address, showing many interesting views of apple and small fruit culture.

W. A. Macoun, of Ottawa, also spoke on the "Growing and Marketing of Certified Seed Potatoes."

Wednesday morning's session, which opened at 9.30 o'clock, was devoted to business. The following resolutions were moved, seconded and passed, some with-out discussion, while others called forth many remarks:

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at Annapolis Royal, has been in to sever his connection with that department; and, whereas, the service rendered by Mr. Sanders has been of inestimable value to the fruit growers of Nova Scotia.

Therefore Resolved, that while regretting his departure, we wish him all success in the new field he has chosen, at the same time assuring him that the latch string of our hearts will always be open to welcome his return.

Whereas owing to a continuous close season during the past three years, partridge have become so plentiful as to cause serious loss to many of the fruit growers in the Valley, therefore Resolved we petition the government not to place a continued close reason on partridge covering a number of years.

It is with deep regret that we have to chronicle the passing away of our esteemed fellow horticulturist, Col. Shippy Spurr. Through his death we lose one of our most valued members and one who unselfishly devoted himself to all matters pertaining to the advancement of our interests as fruit growers. Possessing as he did excellent judgment his counsel was sought in all questions touching the welfare of this Association and his ready response and willingness to give of his knowledge gained from years of experience, has in no small way aided in the material advancement of fruit growing in Nova Scotia.

We therefore wish to record our esteem for our departed member and to convey to his family an expression of our deep sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Resolved that the convention of the N. S. F. G. A., held at Bridgetown in January, 1922, do petition the Hon., the Minister of Agriculture at Ottawa, and the Hon. the Provincial Secretary for Nova Scotia at Halifax, to make provision for a commencement of experimental work in pre cooling of apples this year.

Whereas, the fruit interests of the Annapolis Valley suffer a severe loss because of what is known as "slack" in barrel apples arriving on the British market; and whereas, this loss may be due to various causes which by definite experiments can be clearly defined; and whereas, attention is being given in other parts of Canada by the Federal Department of Agriculture to experimental shipments and their direction to British markets to help solve this and other problems of a like nature.

Therefore Resolved that the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association now assembled ask the Federal Department of Agriculture to take up this matter as related to the shipment of Nova Scotian apples, so that information looking toward the landing of our fruit on the British market in better condition be obtained.

Resolved that a vote of thanks be extended to the Board of Trade of this town for the energetic manner in which they have provided for our entertainment, and also Mr. Bishop for the moving picture shows; the residents for their splendid hospitality which was so much enjoyed by our members and also to our genial and generous friend, M. W. Graves, of the firm of M. W. Graves and Co., for the bounteous supply of refreshments of the very best quality.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President—G. H. Vroom, Middleton. Vice-President—J. Elliott Smith, Wolfville. Secretary—F. W. Foster, Aylesford. Treasurer—Prof. W. S. Blair, Kentville.

Auditors—J. R. Webster, R. S. Eaton. Executive Board—George Hutchinson, Ray Clarke, Lakeville; Fred. H. Johnson, Middleton; and Fred. A. Chipman, Nic-taux.

Delegates to Farmers' Association—J. H. Cox, Cambridge; A. Fitz Randolph, Bridgetown; Substitute, Ray Clarke, Lakeville.

Representative to Shippers' Association—J. A. MacDonald, Upper Dyke.

Delegates to Ottawa in February—E. H. Johnson, Wolfville; W. C. Spurr, Melvern Square; J. H. Cox, Cambridge; Substitute—J. Elliott Smith, Wolfville; F. H. Johnson, Middleton.

H. C. Burchill, of Windsor, at the close of the session gave, an address on "Limestone."

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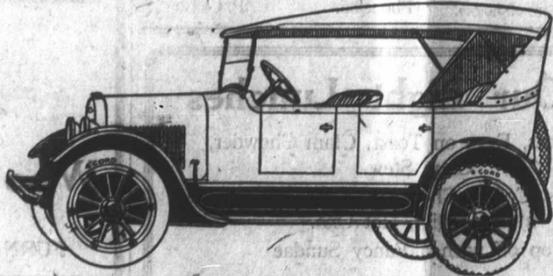
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