

APPENDIX No. 3

with and render such assistance to the manager as may be in his power. In his absence the vice-president shall have and exercise all rights of the president.

12. The secretary-treasurer shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings and of all the receipts and disbursements, and report the conditions of the finances annually or as often as the directors desire.

13. The manager shall have charge of the business of the company in detail under the supervision of the president.

14. The manager and secretary-treasurer shall give bonds in such sums as shall be acceptable to the company.

15. The directors may select three of their number to act as an executive committee, (the president is to serve as chairman) to have general charge of the affairs of the corporation during the fruit season.

16. When a vacancy shall occur through any cause in any of the offices established by the by-laws of the company, it shall be filled at the next regular or special meeting.

17. Any fruit grower in _____ county or township shall be eligible to become a member by a two-thirds vote of the stockholders at the time the application is made.

18. Any member of this company may withdraw at any time between January 1 and April 1. Such notice of withdrawal must be given in writing to the president or director of the company.

19. All apples grown by the members of this company shall be delivered to the company's packing house in prime condition for grading, packing and shipping; other fruits may be delivered to the company for sale on commission.

20. The books of the company shall be audited before the date of the annual meeting each year. At this meeting a printed statement of the receipts and expenditure as audited shall be presented to each stockholder.

21. These by-laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting by a vote of the stockholders or stock present in the affirmative. Notice of such amendment must be given each shareholder by letter or otherwise at least five days previous to the meeting.

By Mr. Monk:

Q. What I wanted to ask is, do you not have the opinion that the federal legislature has jurisdiction as well as the local legislature in the matter?

By the CHAIRMAN.—I don't think that Mr. Ruddick will be an authority on that.

By Mr. Monk:

Q. I wanted to ask if in order to obtain the best possible results with regard to the idea of corporation and also in order to have uniformity in the matter of the organization of these societies, would it not be an advantage to have the government centralized?—A. I think I understand the question. I would like to answer it in this way, if I might be allowed to do so. I think there is an absolute necessity for some advisory, some central authority if you like, to assist in movements of this kind. I should like to refer to the co-operative movement in Ireland as an illustration. As I have already pointed out, in Denmark they have had that assistance with reference to agricultural societies. In Ireland a number of years ago as most of the committee, I am sure are aware, there was formed a voluntary association known as the Irish Agricultural Organization Society. It was a purely voluntary association. This association under Sir Horace Plunkett, then Mr. Plunkett, organized dairy societies, flax societies, for they have flax societies in Ireland, and agricultural societies. This organization also published a journal until recently called *The Irish Homestead*, which was the organ of the association and laid before the people explanations of the aims of the association and advice in regard to various things. This organization has been of great benefit no doubt in the movement of advance in agri-