

Prof. SAUNDERS.—I would like to see it raised a little for the home market as I think it is one of the finest apples for dessert. I move that it be raised at least one point for the home market, and I shall be very glad if anyone will tell me just now where I can get some.

Mr. A. McD. ALLAN.—I am willing to acquiesce in that, but it is difficult under other than exceptional circumstances to get a demand for it. There is no demand for it in the home or foreign market. I have tried it both here, in Britain and in the States. I got the best prices for it in New York, but it had been pretty well written up there at the time. I afterwards shipped some there and got very little for them.

Mr. DEMPSEY.—It is an apple that looks so much like a young seedling in every way that unless a person knows it he will not buy; but anyone who knows the apple will pay the highest price for it as a dessert apple. I think we have no better, but for the home market or foreign market it is certainly not sufficiently attractive to the eye.

Prof. SAUNDERS.—I think that is a reason why the committee should adopt my suggestion; it is our duty to show that we appreciate a really good apple, despite its ill looks.

Mr. BUCKE.—The reason it is so low is that its color is very much against it. You cannot tell Grimes' Golden in a barrel until it gets ripe, and gets its color.

President LYON.—It is one of those very rare varieties that grow down as far as Virginia, and yet it seems to hold its full quality with us, and even farther north than here.

Mr. ELLIOTT.—Here it colors up nicely on the tree—it does with me—a rich, golden yellow. I have shown it under two or three heads, and it has almost always taken a prize.

RED CANADA.

A MEMBER.—Give us the rating of Red Canada?

Mr. BEALL.—It is 2 for dessert, 6 for cooking, 7 for home market, and 8 for foreign market.

Mr. ELLIOTT.—It is superior to Ben Davis and I would recommend that it be raised to 6 for a dessert apple. Motion carried.

President LYON.—The Red Canada often passes for a Baldwin, but among buyers it is sometimes rated much higher as a dessert apple than as a culinary fruit. It is considerably sought after, and sold in the same market for much higher prices than the Baldwin, which is our next popular apple.

Mr. WIGLE (Kingsville).—We find it far ahead of the Baldwin.

Mr. WILSON.—I find the exporters are snapping at all the red apples they do not know the name of, and any apple they do not know the name of and which is red in color, they name "Canada Red." I do not think we can judge by the way it sells in the market whether it is a good apple or not.

BEN DAVIS.

A MEMBER.—What is the rating of Ben Davis?

Mr. BEALL.—3 for dessert, 1 for cooking, 8 for home market and 9 for foreign market.

The SECRETARY.—1 is enough for dessert, is it not?

Mr. WILSON.—I move that Ben Davis be rated 0 for dessert, 1 for cooking, and 9 for foreign market.

Mr. DEMPSEY.—Anything that is worth growing at all is worth growing well, and when we talk about the home market or the foreign market we mean, What is going to give us the most money? Now, I can make more money out of one tree of Ben Davis than I can off fifty trees of King of Tompkins County. We have a lot of trees of King of Tompkins County twelve years planted, and we have never realised twelve barrels off them, and we have got as much as twelve barrels off a single tree of Ben Davis. When we look at the quotations in the English market we find that Ben Davis is sold as high as 32 shillings per barrel.