

in this case see any ground for complaint against the steamer, or can we admit any liability for the alleged loss.

Yours very truly,

THOS. RONALDSON & Co.,

Per W. H. F.

The fact of the matter was that the bill of lading now in use is so one-sided as to afford no redress to the exporter in the event of damage occurring on the voyage.

MR. DIXON said that the only remedy was "competition," which might enable the Association to have the objectionable clause on the bill of lading expunged.

The Association adjourned to meet again at ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

MORNING SESSION.

The Association met this morning at half-past ten o'clock, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:—

(See Pages 3 and 4.)

The CHAIRMAN referred to the fact that Prof. Lawson had intended reading an essay before the Association at this session, but owing to the sad bereavement he had just met with in the death of his wife Dr. Lawson was unable to be present.

The SECRETARY submitted the following telegram, which, on motion of DR. REID was sent to Prof. Lawson,—

"The Fruit Growers' Association regret your absence and deeply sympathize with you in your great affliction."

The election of two delegates to the Dominion Convention of Fruit Growers to be held at Ottawa during the month of February, was now proceeded with, and resulted in the selection of the Secretary, C. R. H. Starr, and Benjamin Starratt of Paradise.

On motion of PROF. SMITH it was unanimously resolved that any further expense incurred by the two delegates over the amount appropriated by the Dominion Government be defrayed out of the funds of the Association.

MR. T. H. PARKER gave notice that at the next meeting of the Association he would move to amend section 7 of the Constitution in