

## APPENDIX No. 5

Mr. WILSON (Wentworth).—That is about half what it costs in Ontario. Mr. Johnson paid 45 cents a barrel and I know several people who paid 48 cents.

Mr. CHUTE.—We have brought your stock by the carload and sold it down there for 40 cents.

Mr. WILSON (Wentworth).—I know one thing, we can't get men for \$1.50 a day.

Mr. SCHAFFNER.—You are not paying your men enough.

Mr. CHUTE.—When the prices of apples goes up we will pay them better wages.

Mr. BURRELL.—We pay \$2.50 a day.

The CHAIRMAN.—\$2 a day is pretty general all through Ontario.

Mr. CHUTE.—We are fortunately situated. All around the coast are large fishing industries and in the apple season the men engaged in those industries are out of work. We can get really good men to work then for \$1.50 a day, for a month or two.

Mr. BURRELL.—You should go into the fishing industry, Mr. Wilson.

*Mr. Wilson (Wentworth):*

Q. What kind of apples do you grow?

A. Gravensteins, Ribstones, Blenheims, Kings, Baldwins, Spies and Ben Davis.

*By the Chairman:*

Q. Have you many Ben Davis?

A. A good percentage. Our company handles 30,000 out of 400,000 barrels.

Q. Where do you market these?

A. In the Old Country.

*By Mr. Bowman:*

Q. Is the acreage for orchards increasing rapidly in your Province?

A. Yes.

*By Hon. Mr. Burrell:*

Q. Have you any accurate idea of the acreage in orchards?

A. No, I have set out 220 acres myself, from which I got 8,000 barrels two years ago and 6,000 barrels this year. I set out a few acres every year.

*By the Chairman:*

Q. How many acres have you in bearing?

A. About 80 acres.

Q. What do you consider an average yield?

A. About 100 barrels to the acre. In my orchard an acre yields from 5 to 250 barrels, depending on the age of the trees.

*Mr. Schaffner:*

Q. What variety sells best in England?

A. Golden Russets bring the highest price, but they are not the most profitable. Nonpariel is a very inferior seller. It is not so good as Ben Davis.

Q. Ribstone Pippin is a good one?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you ship many apples this year to the West?

A. About 10,000 barrels.

*Mr. Wilson (Wentworth):*

Q. What apple brings the best price?

A. I think Kings bring the best price. We get a good price for Golden Russets but there is only a limited quantity grown.