

of the facts that underlie and determine the relative positions of the producers and your road, I would ask you to kindly furnish me with facts and figures, to establish the position which you always assume in your remarks when you speak of this question publicly.

That your rates are as low or lower than any Company Road in Canada. That you give as low rates as is at all consistent with honesty towards your shareholders.

That your efforts have been to effect as good through rates as possible with the steamers.

That there is no combination between the steamers and road to injure the shippers, &c.

You probably understand the peculiarities of this matter very much better than I do or can.

What the Committee wish is to obtain the facts and present them to the people in such a manner as they can and will understand the whole matter.

If consistent with truth and honesty, we wish to make such a report as would allay hostility, prejudice and ill-feeling with all concerned.

If you feel disposed to assist with your knowledge and experience as well as the information you have at hand with regard to the rates of other Company roads, and kindred matters, you will confer a favour and I shall be much obliged.

I remain, sir,

Yours truly,

(Signed) A. STANLEY FISHER.

WINDSOR AND ANNAPOLIS RAILWAY,

GENERAL MANAGER'S OFFICE,

Kentville, N. S., 27th February, 1886.

A. STANLEY FISHER, Esq., Berwick :

Dear Sir,—I beg to formally acknowledge receipt of your letter of 2nd inst., intimating that the Fruit Growers' Association had appointed the President, Secretary and yourself a Committee on the matter of charges on Shipments of Apples to England, and asking certain assistance and information from me on points connected with the subject.

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