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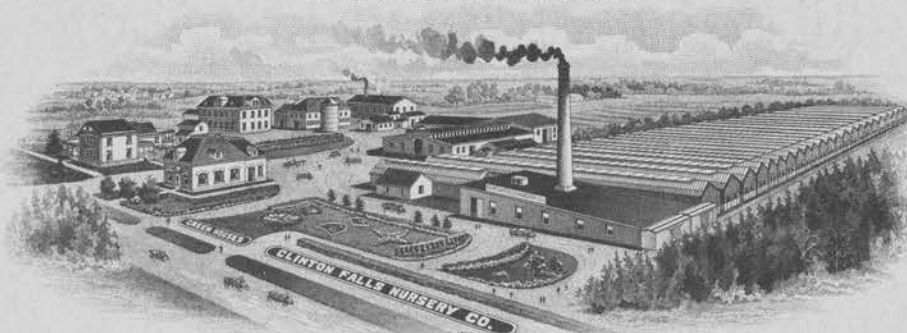
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**Owafonna, Minn.**

Oct. 30, 1918.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

Your favor of the 26th inst. received. I hope that I will be able to attend at least two days of the Horticultural meeting this year, the first two days of the session, Tuesday and Wednesday. I will at least be with you one day if nothing happens.

Come to think about it, the first day falls on Tuesday and that is one of the days of the week that the Safety Commission meets. Perhaps it will be impossible for me to attend that day.

Wednesday night of that week I expect to go to the International Stock Show at Chicago, and will be there the balance of the week.

I appreciate your kind words very much, and I want to say that I have always felt that I have had a very good friend in Mr. Latham, and have tried to reciprocate by being a good friend of yours. You can always count on me to help out in anything that may be to your interest or the benefit of the Minnesota Horticultural Society.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

*Thos E. Cashman*

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Oshkosh, Wis., Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1918

Secretary A W Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.,

Dear Sir;

Your letter, also that of Secy Cranfield  
notifying me of the pleasure I was to have of  
meeting with your society came by the same  
mail. Ever since A J Phillips was secretary of our  
society I have been hearing of the enjoyable times  
you have at your meetings so I am looking  
forward to it with delightful anticipation.

I shall be glad to furnish a short paper for

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Oshkosh, Wis.,

the program and at your suggestion submit  
the following subjects for your choice: "Vegetables  
not Commonly grown; Hotbeds and Coldframes;"  
Hardy Perennials.

Thanking you for your kindly advice I  
remain

Sincerely yours

H. C. Christensen.

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The tree appears to be hardy for it stood this past winter where such varieties as Sapa, Squia, and Waneta froze to the ground. I feel that there is a great future in store for this plum, and with all of the nurseries in this section co-operating in the sale of it it should be placed in the hands of the public in a short period of time. We would like your co-operation and assistance, and if you can possibly find the copy of the Horticultural magazine in which appeared the write-up on this Loring Prize plum, I would be very much pleased to have it.

Trusting that I may hear from you soon, I am

Respectfully yours,

CLINTON FALLS NURSERY COMPANY.

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Owatonna, Minn.

July 31, 1918.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Mr. Latham:

You perhaps know that the Northern Retail Nurserymen's Association have contracted with Mr. Vikla to propogate and market his Loring Prize plum on a royalty basis. He is providing the various nurserymen, I think there are 22 in all, with grafts and buds to start this year. We expect to have some yearlings for sale to be delivered in the spring of 1920.

We are anxious to get started right with descriptive literature, together with photographs and plates, and also an accurate history of this plum, and wish especially to secure correct data on the notice that has been given it by the Minnesota Horticultural Society, and the University Agricultural Department.

I believe that you publish shortly after the awarding of the Loring Prize a history and a photograph of this plum tree. I am writing you to ask if you could dig this up for me, and also any other material that you have on file regarding the Loring Prize plum, and the awarding of the money offered by Mr. Loring.

I am chairman of the committee to collect data, and we are expected to get this thing started wight. Every nursery is to use the same literature and cuts. I am sure the Loring Prize plum, which it is now called, is one of the greatest productions in the history of Minnesota Horticulture. I have examined and sampleâ specimens of this fruit, and I believe it is unsurpassed in size and quality.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,  
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY.

HORTICULTURAL AND POMOLOGICAL  
INVESTIGATIONS.

IN REPLYING, REFER TO: HP-

CPC:SL

Washington, D. C., July 5, 1918

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

The past winter was so severe in some sections of the country that many apple trees were killed outright and others were badly injured. In ~~some~~ sections where Baldwin trees perished we are anxious to find out if there was even one tree which was hardier than the rest and came through the winter in good shape. If a hardy Baldwin tree on a Baldwin trunk can be located it is our hope to propagate from it and distribute the hardy strain throughout the colder sections of the country. We know that Baldwin topworked on a hardy seedling trunk is hardier than Baldwin on a Baldwin trunk so we are interested in the latter only at this time.

As Secretary of your State Society, I am wondering if you can make it convenient to look into this matter for us and let me hear from you in due time. I have also written to Prof. Mackintosh regarding this same matter.

Hoping to hear from you and thanking you in advance for this anticipated kindness, I am

Very truly yours,

*L. P. Chase*

Pomologist.



Publishes a Montly Magazine entitled "The Minnesota Horticulturist." Sent free to all members of the Society. Send for copy of the Magazine and Folder containing the "Fruit List" for Minnesota and describing the work of the Society, in publications, methods, etc. Membership fee \$1.00 per annum.

## Minnesota State Horticultural Society

President, THOS. E. CASHMAN, Owatonna, Minn.

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Office (and Library) of

A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.

Minneapolis, Minn.

2/20/18.

Mrs. John S. Crooks,  
1980 Montreal Ave.,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Madam:

Your favor at hand enclosing check for \$1.75  
in payment for seven members of your society, for which I  
thank you much.

Cordially,

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The University of Minnesota

Department of Agriculture

University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

May 7, 1918.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I am writing this letter to you largely to get rid of an envelope with your address on it, which I have had on my desk for a year or so.

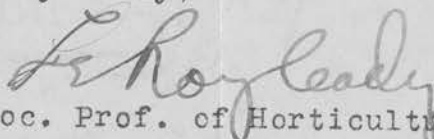
I hope I will be able to get in and talk over matters connected with the summer meeting before it is necessary for you to send copy to the printer. I think we had best leave our closing hour at nine o'clock, as it was last year, as that is none too early for people who desire to come from town or from the Park and I hope that this year we may advertise this a little more widely thru our military camp, the teachers, the Garden Flower Society, etc., so that there will be more visitors during the evening.

I think we will have no difficulty in getting flowers enough, if the season is at all good, without having to break up the exhibit earlier than usual. After these flowers have been exhibited during the day they are not of any great value as a rule and I think we should make a special effort to have large quantities of peonies from the peony gardens in the vicinity to dispose of. These, of course, should be put in water and kept cool and will give much better satisfaction.

We will try to have the roadway from the car line placarded a little bit more plainly so that Mr. Underwood and others will not have to follow the example of certain of our athletically inclined young ladies and have to climb the embankment to reach the gymnasium. The climb is bad enough going up the regular way without taking the other route.

We are going to be a little crowded for first-class picnic ground room, but I think we will be able to get along fairly well.

Yours very truly,



Assoc. Prof. of Horticulture

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508 University Ave. S. E., Minneapolis

Mrs. JOHN S. CROOKS, Sec.-Treas.  
1980 Montreal Ave., St. Paul

# Minnesota Garden Flower Society

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St. Paul, Minn.

March 1, 1918.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis Minn. M

Dear Sirs.

Enclosed find check for \$ 1.75 for seven memberships. List follows:

- ✓ Mrs. O. Claussen, 469 Laurel Ave., St. Paul, Minn.
- ✓ Mrs. Chas. E. Braden, Excelsior, Minn.
- ✓ Mrs. R. R. Odell, 2836 Irving Ave. S., Minneapolis.
- ✓ Mrs. J. H. Brown, St. Louis Park, Minn. (new.) Earl Ave.
- ✓ Mrs. G. T. Brown, 646 Hague Ave., St. Paul,
- ✓ Mrs. G. F. Jennings, Hill Station, St. Paul. (new)
- ✓ Mrs. James Drummond, 25 Court House, St. Paul. (new.)

Yours Truly,

Minnesota Garden Flower Society,  
per Mrs. John S. Crooks,  
Sec. -Treas.

P.S. The extra 10¢ is for postage for that book you sent to Chas. Sell, some little time ago. I have always forgotten to send it.

San Diego, Calif., February 16th, 1918.

Prof. Le Roy Cady,  
University Farm,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Friend Cady:-

It seems that Dean Thatcher has written Haralson, stating that hereafter Dr. Dorsey will have entire charge of the work at the Fruit Breeding Farm. This, of course, will result as you know in the retirement of Mr. Haralson, who I am sure will absolutely refuse to work the Farm under these circumstances.

I have written quite fully to Mackintosh about this, but need not to you as you know of the arrangement with Dean Woods and are fully posted. I hope that you will promptly get in touch with Mackintosh and together go over the matter with the Dean, inducing him if possible to go back to the old plan which has been working so successfully, or at least to postpone the change until a full committee from our Society can confer with him in regard to it.

You know how well Haralson stands with the Society. He is certainly a success as a practical plant breeder, peer of any one in the country, and I am not sure but what he stands at the head, and that his work there should be interfered with is unthinkable.

I was in conferecne with Mr. Underwood yesterday and we fully agreed as to this. He wrote Mac yesterday, which letter he will probably show you. I am anxiously waiting word from there that matter will come out all right. Be assured that if necessary we shall use the whole force of the Society, going to the head of the University if necessary, though it is better of course if possible

LeR. C. #2

to secure our ends through the Dean. Practical results are what we are after. Great things we believe are in store for the Fruit Farm if the present management is not disturbed.

I leave here March 3rd and will certainly be in my office March 8th.

Yours very cordially,



Publishes a Monthly Magazine, "The Minnesota Horticulturist," also "Trees, Fruits and Flowers of Minnesota," a cloth bound volume of over 500 pages; sent free to all members of the Society; also Valuable New Fruits for trial. Send for copy of the magazine and folder containing the "Fruit List for Minnesota" and describing the work of the society, its publications, methods, etc. Membership fee \$1.00 per annum.

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Office (and Library) of

A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.

*Minneapolis, Minn., February 6th, 1916*

Dear Secretary of Farmers' Club:

I am addressing you as secretary of the Farmers' Club located in your place and in the interest of the work of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society. This association for fifty years has been gathering material, and its members have been experimenting, and originating and testing new fruits, and in every way possible been endeavoring to stimulate the successful growing of fruits, vegetables, trees, plants and flowers in this state.

The society now publishes a magazine of forty pages monthly, and an annual volume of over five hundred pages, both of which are furnished to every member of this society. Every member also has an opportunity of testing new fruits originated in the state—see page 6 of enclosed folder. Each new

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Dr. Grumel

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ST. PAUL, MINN.

Mar. 19, 1918.

A. W. Latham, Esq.,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find copy of Ad. which you can print to fill the  
\$15.00 space ordered by Mrs. Crooks in the Horticulturist commen-  
cing next month, and oblige

Yours very truly,

RAINBOW GARDENS,

Per

*John S. Crooks*

C-O'D

The University of Minnesota

Department of Agriculture

University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

April 4, 1918.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

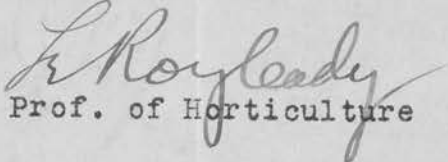
Dear Sir:

I have sent by freight reports to the following people, as you requested:

Rev. A. Wermerskirchen, Hokah, Minn.  
Mr. William J. Long, Winnipeg, Manitoba.  
Dr. G. A. Eisengraber, Granite Falls, Minn.  
Mr. R. H. Lorentz, Howard Lake, Minn.

Our team has left files at your office for Oscar W. Buege and Dr. George D. Crume and also a partial file has been sent to the St. Paul Public Library.

Yours very truly,

  
Assoc. Prof. of Horticulture

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## THE MCCAULL-WEBSTER ELEVATOR CO.

*Minneapolis, Minn.* April 11th, 1918.

Mr. A.W.Latham,

Secretary, Minnesota State Horticultural Society, City.

Dear Mr. Latham:-

I enclose herewith an article for the May number of the Horticulturist.

I will call in to see you in a day or so in relation to the premium list. I am expecting daily to hear from the National Peony Society as to what they wish to do in connection with offering a medal this year but have not heard from them.

Due to the financial condition of our Society I do not think we will be able to offer much in the way of premiums in addition to what is offered by the Society.

Will talk this feature over with you before the end of the week.

Yours truly,

*E. A. Kirk*  
Secretary.

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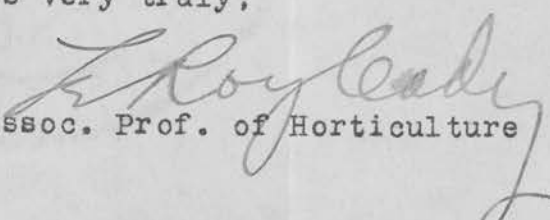
Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I have your letter and enclosed premium list for the summer meeting. This list looks good to me except that I would like to make two additions. I think that in the line "collection of iris" you have made a mistake in striking out the word "named". That should be left as it is, as the variety name is desirable. The collection is worth more if each variety is named. Also, I would not take out the offer for the collection of wild flowers in separate vases. You may cut the premiums on this a little, but this should be a good feature. You might add a minimum number of at least seven kinds.

I will have a part of the premium list for the State Fair over to you in a few days, which I think <sup>it</sup> would be desirable to publish in the next magazine.

Yours very truly,

  
Assoc. Prof. of Horticulture

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MADISON, WIS.. Nov. 10, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec.,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.,

Dear Mr. Latham:-

I am sure you will be pleased to know that our National Congress of Horticulture is now established and organized. At the Boston meeting we not only adopted the Constitution but elected two live men for president and secretary. A Mr. Horace Roberts of New Jersey for president and Mr. Howard W. Selby, president of the National Vegetable Growers' Ass'n., as secretary. With this working force I look for good results.

Another thing which will interest you is that the membership fee for associations was fixed at \$25.00 annually with no individual fees. This may not raise quite so much money but I feel that it will bring in more societies the first year and if we do some good work we can, I am sure, readily raise more money. We are sending our fee and I hope that you will do the same for your society. Forward the \$25.00 to Mr. Selby, Springfield, Mass. He will then have \$50.00 at least with which he can buy some stationery if nothing more.

Very truly yours,

*Frederic Cranfield*

Sec. W. S. H. S.

The University of Minnesota

Department of Agriculture  
University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

December 10, 1917.

Secretary A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

The following are the winners in the Gideon Memorial Contest for 1917:

Robert McGowan, School of Agriculture, first prize, \$12.00.

Subject, San Jose Scale.

Fred Krantz, College of Agriculture, second prize, \$8.00.

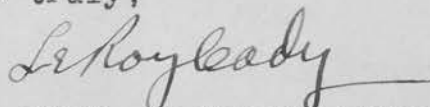
Subject, The Refrigerator Car and the Fruit Industry.

There was no third contestant. These young men are to be paid from the interest accruing on the \$500 deposited with the University by the Horticultural Society, the interest of which is to be used in promoting Horticulture.

Will you kindly notify Mr. D. W. Sprague of the University of Minnesota regarding the awarding of these prizes, asking him to either send checks to me for delivery or I will have the boys call on him?

The contest took place Tuesday, December 4, before the meeting of the Horticultural Society at the West Hotel. The judges of the contest were Prof. Hansen, Brookings, South Dakota, Clarence Wedge, Albert Lea, and William Toole, Baraboo, Wisconsin.

Yours very truly,



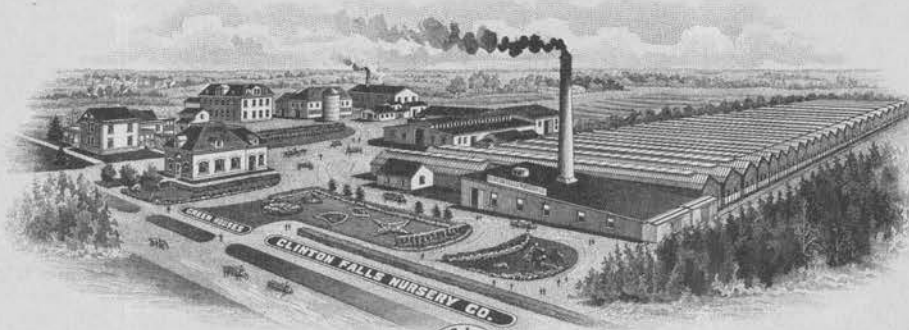
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**Owafonna, Minn.**  
Dec. 21, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Blk,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your favor this morning stating that you intend to carry advertising on the back cover pages of the Horticultural magazine.

We enclose you herewith copy of add which you may run on the out side cover in a \$15.00 space; this being the highest priced space, it will undoubtedly have the most prominent place. Will leave it to you what you consider the best space you have left when this arrives. If we are the first in, we would like to select what you consider the best space for us. We understand this will cost \$15.00 per year.

Very truly yours,

CLINTON FALLS NURSERY CO.

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MADISON, WIS.. Dec. 21, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec.,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.,

Dear Brother Latham:-

Your letter arrived, as you said it would, in the midst of our Convention but I enjoyed it just the same.

I am very thankful to you for your kind words about our little paper. We had the best convention in years. You know we secretaries always say that but I really mean it so far as our meeting was concerned. The interest was greater than any time within my recollection, due no doubt to the present world conditions. The horticulturists, no less than the farmers and other workers are coming to realize the need of extra effort. We are planning considerable work for the coming season and hope that we may be able to carry out a part at least of it successfully.

With best wishes, I remain

Very truly yours,

*Fredric Cranfield*

Sec. W. S. H. S.

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GREENHOUSE GLASS

**Owafonna, Minn.**

December 20, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

I appreciate your very kind letter of the 17th inst., but I was afraid that I would never hear from you again.

In regard to a portrait will say that I have not had my picture taken since 1907. I have grown so old and homely during the last ten years that I haven't had the heart. Use the old cut that you had. Glad to know that the address I made before the Horticultural Society pleased you.

With personal regards, I am

Respectfully,

TEC\*T

*Thos E. Cashman*

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WISCONSIN  
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OFFICE OF SECRETARY  
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MADISON, WIS.. Dec. 29, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.,

Dear Friend:-

I have your very kind letter of Dec. 27th, in fact all of your letters are always kind, considerate and complimentary. I am quite sure that I do not deserve all of the good things you say about me.

In regard to the Erickson account we can take care of that very nicely but will be compelled to send a regular expense statement to Mr. Erickson for his signature and his certification but, as he travels for his own state, he is of course familiar with that sort of thing and it will not scare him.

I wish that we could handle our own funds as we please, then we could follow the regular custom of horticultural societies and take care of our guests the same as other state societies. However, as long as these unreasonable regulations exist we must comply with them.

With best wishes, I remain

Very truly yours,

*Frederic Cranfield*

Sec. W. S. H. S.

*The Highlands  
Fruit Farm*

Phone N. W. 109-8

*Excelsior, Minn.,* ~~January 6 1918.~~, 191—.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Dear Sir:-

The advertisement as it appears in the January number of the magazine is very satisfactory except that the word "largest" has been changed to "large" which destroys to a considerable extent the force of the advertisement. Would it not be possible to restore the superlative use of the word in subsequent issues? So far as I have been able to learn we are entitled to the distinction of being the largest growers of Minnesota No. 4 raspberries for plants. If such is not the case I would like to be so informed in order that I may be governed accordingly.

Yours respectfully,

*J. F. Bartlett*

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CUT FLOWERS IN SEASON

ALBERT LEA, MINN.,

Jan 7 1918

A W Latham

Friend Latham  
Minneapolis Minn

Yours of 1-4 is rec'd.

I had not known of the arrangement of giving a membership for half price to customers with orders for \$20. or more.

As copy of price list is in printers hands I can not very well make the offer now. I do not believe it would be practical with me as I would get very few retail orders amounting to \$20.

If this offer is included in my card on front of folder, it will do no harm to try it. I will be glad to use the folder in my correspondence in Minnesota and adjoining states, but can use only about 500 folders to good advantage.

Very truly yours

G. D. Black.

**The University of Minnesota**

Department of Agriculture

University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

January 17, 1918.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I think the establishment of a trial station on the farm of Mr. Bailey would be an excellent plan, providing there would be no serious criticism of this because he is a nurseryman.

I am glad to note that you plan to go to California the latter part of the month and hope that you may have a pleasant trip.

Yours very truly,

*F. Royceady*  
Assoc. Prof. of Horticulture

LC/D

## THE BYRON NURSERY

F. E. CUTTING, PROPRIETOR

### HARDY, NORTHERN GROWN, NURSERY STOCK

BYRON, MINN., Jan. 19, 1918. 191

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your letter regarding photographs to use with my paper will say that I had one taken in 1915 and I will send you one of them and you may use it if you think it will be satisfactory. I am sorry that I didnot have some photographs taken last season as I had more pickers then and the lay of the land was such that the teams, automobiles and sheds showed up to better advantage. One mistake I made with the picture I am sending you was in having all the children in the foreground so a person will get the impression that the pickers are mostly children while the fact is that the pickers in the background are all adults.

I might be able to get a good picture next summer but am not at all sure about it as my patch is mostly two-year old and will probably be quite weedy, which will not look well in a photograph and if I should not have a good crop there would not be enough pickers to make a good picture. I will leave it to you to do as you think best about waiting for a new photo. If I have a good crop I will undoubtedly have some more pictures taken and would be glad to send you one.

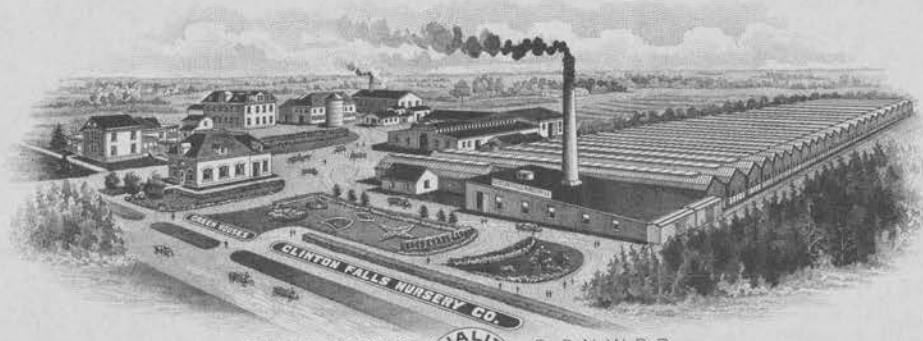
Respectfully yours,

*F. E. Cutting*

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**Owafonna, Minn.**

April 13, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

COPY

Senator A. J. Rockne,  
State Capitol,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Senator:

I understand that the House Appropriation Committee cut our Horticultural Appropriation. I sincerely hope that the full amount will be granted. If it is not we will be compelled to refuse membership to a great many people who may apply this coming year. You understand that a large part of this appropriation is for the printing of the magazine that each member gets once a month and the bound copy at the end of the year. We have agreed to co-operate with the State University this year and accept as members young people at reduced rates. We expect to get at least five hundred members from that source. The increased cost of paper, printing and additional memberships anticipated makes every dollar necessary that we have asked for. Secretary Latham makes a dollar go further than most any man I have had anything to do with.. He does not allow a cent to be squandered or spent where it will not get results. I certainly hope that the full amount will be allowed.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very respectfully,

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**Owafonna, Minn.**

June 9, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

I will be home from the Detroit Convention about the 25th. As far as I know I will be home during that week, unless I should be compelled to be in Iowa where I am suing a party in order to recover property and I cannot say just when the trial will be held. But I think somewhere between the dates of the 25th to the 30th inclusive will be the best dates for me.

With best wishes, I am

Very respectfully,

*Thos. E. Cashman*

TEC  
IET

Dictated but not read.

The University of Minnesota  
Department of Agriculture  
University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

July 21, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Sec'y, State Horticultural Society,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I understand that Mr. Oldenburg, the Horticultural Society's representative on the Forestry Board, will not serve another term and the Governor is anxious to appoint some one in his place. It has been suggested that either Prof. Dietrich Lange of St. Paul or W. M. Tabor of Park Rapids be appointed to this position and I would suggest that the appointment of Mr. Lange be requested, with Mr. Tabor as alternate.

As it is desirable to get quick action and I am not able to get you over the phone this morning, I am writing Senator Cashman, although I think he has already heard of the matter over the phone from the Governor's office.

Yours very truly,

  
Assoc. Prof. of Horticulture

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**Owafonna, Minn.**

July 23, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Friend Latham:

Your favor of the 20th instant has not been answered owing to the fact that I was severely injured a few days ago, and I am just getting around.

I note that Andrews wants L.H. Rice appointed to succeed Mr. Oldenberg on the Forestry Board. I think quite favorably of Mr. Rice and would like to see him appointed. However, I note that Mr. LeRoy Cady has two other gentlemen in mind and as I am not particularly interested, will leave the matter to you gentlemen to work out. Mr. Rice served in the legislature and as I remember made a good representative.

Enclosed find voucher which I have signed.  
Enclosed find also Mr. Andrew's and Mr. Rice's letters.

TEC.M

Respectfully yours,

*Thos. E. Cashman*

*Copy to Latham!*

July 23, 1917.

Mr. Le Roy Cady,  
University Farm,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Cady:

I have before me this morning your favor of the 21st. also letter from the Governor and Secretary Latham in regard to the appointment on the Forestry Board. I was severely injured last week and just getting around or this matter would have been taken care of before.

I note what you say about Prof. Dietrich and W.M. Tabor being applicants to fill the vacancy. Secretary Latham suggests representative Rice and I intended writing him this morning that I favor his appointment as I know Mr. Rice and think quite well of him, however I will leave that matter to you and Mr. Latham and will write Mr. Latham to that effect.

Respectfully yours,

TEC.M



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A. W. LATHAM, Sec'y

207 KASOTA BLOCK

Minneapolis, Minn. 7/26/17.

Prof. LeRoy Cady,  
University Farm,  
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear friend:

I am enclosing herewith seven cents in postage stamps to pay for the mailing of the 1905 report to P. J. Hentges, Owatonna, Minn. He has paid me fifty cents for this report, but I find there is no report of this number in this office. I hope you can send it to him right away quickly.

The governor's secretary telephoned me this morning expressing a preference of the governor for the appointment of Mr. Tabor to fill Mr. Oldenberg's place on the Forestry Board. I have been trying to get you over the phone about this but failed. Don't you think it would be well to recommend the appointment of Mr. Tabor, since the governor has expressed his wishes in the matter? I understand Mr. Tabor is president of a bank at Park Rapids, and being on the ground, perhaps he will be of more use to the Forestry Board than a St. Paul man.

Please let me know your wishes soon and oblige.

Cordially,

*A. W. Latham*

Secy.

*Mr. Tabor is OK to Cox and is said to be better than Rich for the board.*

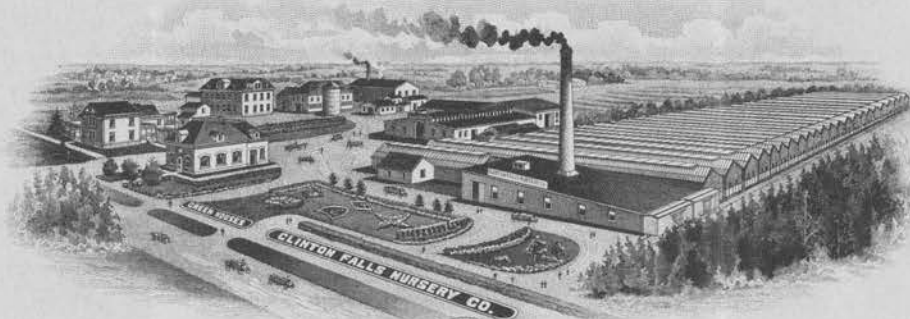
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*9/17 Cady*

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Owafonna, Minn. 8-13-17

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

I have your several letters before me. I have been so very busy of late that I have been unable to anywhere near keep up with my work. I was severely injured three weeks ago last Wednesday which has cut down my working capacity to a large extent, but hope to be soon able to carry a full load.

As far as I can see the premium list that you suggest is O.K. I don't see how it could be improved upon. I am glad that you added premiums for vegetables, canned and dried fruits.

In regard to selecting men to visit the State Fruit Breeding Farm, will say that I have no choice, I am only anxious that men sufficiently interested to go into the matter thoroughly and make an intelligent report be selected. I know of no better man than F. W. Kimball. I have no other name in mind and will again impose upon you by asking you to select your men on this Committee.

Yours very truly,

As yet I have not had time to go over the Annual Program but hope to be able to get to it soon. I think however, that you have the matter so thoroughly in hand that suggestions from outsiders will be of little help to you. With best wishes, I remain,

Yours very truly,

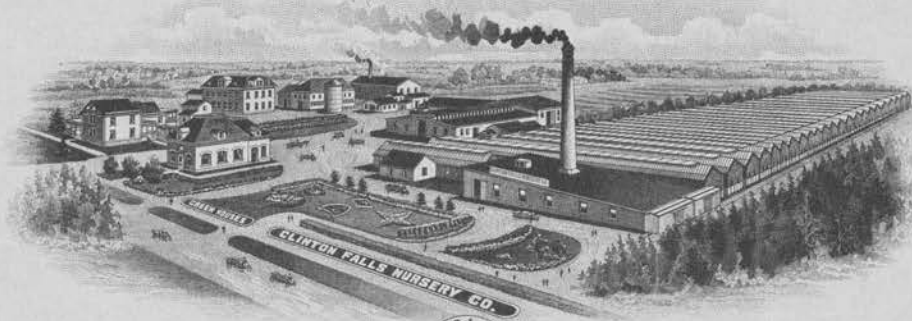
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**Owafonna, Minn.**

August 27, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec'y,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Your favor received. I have signed the vouchers and forward under seperate cover.

I hope you will be able to secure an office at the Horticultural building during the State Fair. It would be fine if the members could have a meeting place. I hope to be there at least one day.

It is gratifying to know that some of our members do thoroughly appreciate the good work that you are doing and are willing to back up his appreciation with a liberal sum that the society may not have a set back.

With best wishes, I am.

Yours respectfully,

*Thos. E. Cashman*

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Secretary, A. W. LATHAM, Minneapolis, Minn.

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DEWAIN COOK  
SUPT. OF TRIAL STATION

Jeffers, Minn., Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> 1917.

A. W. Latham  
See Minn State Hort Soc  
Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir. I shall be very much pleased to conduct a question and answer series at our coming Horticultural meeting as you requested.

I hope you will put me on rather early on the program, as I usually am in better condition at that time - than later on.

In my July Trial Station Report I stated that at that time the hybrids were more promising for a crop than were the natives. But now at harvesting time the case is reversed the hybrids are furnishing the specimens, and the natives are furnishing the crop to sell.

We are very fortunate in this section of Minnesota regarding frosts, as up to the present time frost has done no damage whatever, and the weather is warm and fine. It looks like a corn crop.

Yours Truly

Dewain Cook

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MADISON, WIS..

August 24th, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec.,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

I have your letter of August 20th on my return from Oshkosh where we held our Summer Meeting. We had one of the most successful conventions in our history, at least since I have been connected with this work. There were many expressions of regret that you were not there as it had been quite generally advertised that you were coming. We hope that another season we will have better luck.

I have not looked up the letter to which you refer, but I have a suspicion it was in regard to our winter meetings. We discussed the date at Oshkosh, but came to no definite conclusion. We would like December 10th to the 14th, unless you have already grabbed off that date. I have looked over the recent copies of your monthly and failed to find any notice of your dates. Won't you please tell me when you will hold your meeting? Illinois has the week of December 17th to the 21st. I have not heard from Iowa. Our Apple growers much prefer a December meeting, but the others are well satisfied with the second week in January. It seems to me that Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois will make a mighty fine circuit for <sup>Speakers,</sup> ~~exhibitors~~. We do not hire much outside talent as

our members do not approve of it, but would be glad to cooperate with you on one or two outside speakers if we can make the dates fit.

Please let me know soon, and oblige

Very truly yours,

Frederic Bancroft

Sec. W. S. H. S .

## THE BYRON NURSERY

F. E. CUTTING, PROPRIETOR

### HARDY, NORTHERN GROWN, NURSERY STOCK

# 2.

BYRON, MINN., \_\_\_\_\_ 191 \_\_\_\_\_

cents per quart, on the vines. My competitors think I might as well give them away as to sell them so cheap but I know that I made as much as + would if I had used the old method of hiring pickers and without one-tenth the worry.

I also handled one thousand quarts of gooseberries by this same method, everyone picking the berries they wanted and paying me eight cents a quart for them.

If you think that something along this line might be of interest I will write up something and will try to be at the meeting.

Respectfully yours,

*F. E. Cutting*

## THE BYRON NURSERY

F. E. CUTTING, PROPRIETOR

### HARDY, NORTHERN GROWN, NURSERY STOCK

BYRON, MINN., Sept. 28, 1917. 191

Mr A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter at hand regarding the program for the Annual Meeting. I am willing to prepare a paper for this meeting but I do not like to say positively now that I will be at the meeting.

I have quite a bunch of cattle here now and am not planning to have help this Winter and it might not be possible for me to get away then altho I probably could get someone to do the work here. If you would care to leave it this way I will agree to write a paper and if I should not be able to attend the meeting I will send the paper to you before the meeting.

The horticultural subject I am most interested in at present might be called "How we let the consumer pick the berries he buys"

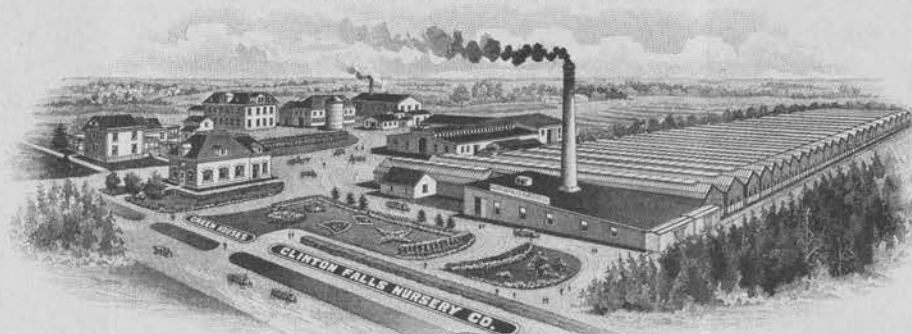
Most of the berry growers in this part of the country have the impression that I am either crazy or terribly hard up for help in handling my berry crop or I would not be using such an unusual method of getting my strawberries picked, while the truth of the matter is that while they are worrying about getting enough help to pick their berries and cutting down their acreage because they cannot get help, I am harvesting the largest crop of berries in this part of the state, am increasing my acreage, and my greatest worry is that I may let so many people come to pick some day that there will not be berries enough to go around.

I sold 15,000 quarts this season at a net price of eight

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Sept. 27, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

Upon my return from Wisconsin, I find your letter of the 20th instant. I hasten to answer same for I am sure you would like to know as soon as possible who you will have on the program.

I must ask you to relieve me from the program during Horticultural Week. I have many other matters to take care of during that time and will be very busy during all of the sessions. I presume you know that we have a Nurserymen's Association and that I am President and have a big program to take care of this year. We intend to devote an entire day to our meeting this year and have many serious problems to discuss. I would not wish to go on the program unless I could prepare something that would be at least creditable.

So far as acting as toastmaster, I believe I did promise you last winter that I would take care of that. You may depend on me for that, and I will let you know regarding the program a little later on.

MRC.M

Very truly yours,

*M. R. Cashman*

P. S.....For fear I might forget the above, I believe it best for you to select the gentlemen you wish to respond to toasts. After getting your list I will be glad to make any suggestions that might help me personally. I am really not particular. Put on some live wires and we will keep the wheels moving.

M.R.C.

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**Owafonna, Minn.**

October 3rd.,  
1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I have your letter proposing a subject for me to talk on at the Horticultural meeting in December. I am sure our letters crossed in the mails and you have my reply to your first letter.

I will state again that I hardly think I should take on any extra work for the Horticultural meeting. As I stated before, the nurserymen's association meets at that time and will devote an entire day to a program and if they do not finish, they will undoubtedly hold extra sessions. I am president of the Association and am expected to outline a program and deliver an address. This work coupled with the work of toastmaster which you have assigned me, will give me all I can do so I prefer to be left off of the program. I will endeavor to do justice to the job as toastmaster, and will be on hand if I am alive and able and trust that this will meet with your approval.

We are packing out now and of course I will be very busy for the next four or five weeks. After that I will be able to confer with you on any matter that you wish to take up.

With kindest regards, I am,

MRC.M

Respectfully,

*Thos. E. Cashman*

S. P. CROSBY  
COUNSELOR AT LAW  
GLOBE BUILDING  
SAINT PAUL

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 3, 1917.

My Dear Mr. Latham:

I have your esteemed favor of the 18th, and have been considering same, whether or no I shall have the presumption to make a showing in writing upon so great and important subject as "The Mission of the Minnesota Horticultural Society."<sup>s</sup>

It will take a good man, Mr. Latham, to do justice to that subject, and I feel my inability. However, if you think I can do it I'LL tackle the subject,--no exceeding fifteen minutes,--and read what I have to say. I never can talk off-hand/ Quite a few things can be said in fifteen minutes if you have them to say.

I like your proposed plan very much. ~~The~~

Tell me this, Mr. Latham: The seal of the M. S. H. S. has a woman with a handful of grain (is it not) , and at her left are vegetables on the ground, and a shock of grain on her right, and a tree or bush of some-kind for a back ground. Otherwise, its the design of the State seal. Let me know how near correct I am, or how far off.

Write me the year that the act was passed providing for the State Historical Society, and where could I see the articles of incorporation,--if there are any.

I see it says "organized 1866" on the seal.

Write me soon, please.

yours very truly,

Direct to S. P. Crosby  
302. Globe Bldg  
St. Paul

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S. P. Crosby

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**Owafonna, Minn.**

10-5-17

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Friend Latham:

I find by referring to the minutes that our Association has always held their meetings on Wednesday, the second day of the Horticultural meeting. Unless there is a great objection, we will hold our meeting on Wednesday this year.

I believe I have written you regarding other matters.

MRC.MS

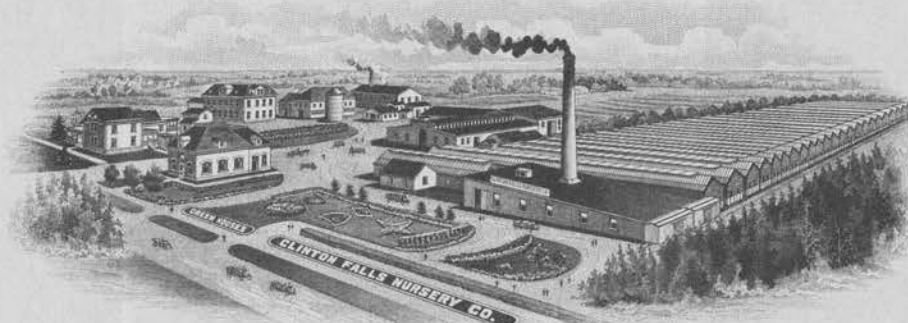
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Owafonna, Minn.

August 28, 1917,

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Friend:

Your favor received. You consider the West Hotel, the best place to meet in Minneapolis and I would be pleased to see you close a contract with those people securing quarters for your next meeting.

In regard to the program for the next meeting, there is no question but what conservation should be the main spoke. I think one <sup>section</sup> ~~section~~ should be given over to a loyalty meeting, at least half a <sup>section</sup> ~~section~~. That might be worked on the night of the banquet.

Also as you say it would be well to pay considerable attention to the necessity of top-working trees, and the matter of spraying as usual should be given an important place. I believe that the reason why so many trees died last winter is because the leaves became so thoroughly affected with rust where they were not sufficient~~ly~~ properly sprayed that a good many trees defoliated last summer and left the trees in such a weakened condition that they could not withstand the hard winter.

It might be well to have one or two papers on landscape work by men who know how to talk and understands their business. Of course the shelter belt should be also given a place on the program. No doubt you have them already worked out and many other topics fully as important.

Yours respectfully,

TEC\*D.

Thos. E. Cashman

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MADISON, WIS., Oct. 2nd, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec.,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.,

Dear Friend:-

I have your very kind letter after nearly a week's absence from the office. We have finally decided to hold our meeting Dec. 11th to 13th which is the week following yours and preceeding the Illinois meeting.

As far as I can determine the greatest benefit to be derived from this will be the exchange of delegates, as I feel it is extremely doubtful if we can secure outside speakers who will be willing to spend three weeks at this kind of work. You could use a man, say from Washington, for about two days, Wednesday and Thursday, and he would then be on his own resources until Wednesday of the following week and it is very doubtful if the department which employs him would permit this. However, I may be mistaken and we may be able to get some good help from outside for both your meeting and ours.

I note what you say about Prof. Whitten and I sincerely hope you may not be disappointed. In the last ten years I have invited him on three different occasions and each time he has promised faithfully to come and each time disappointed me, therefore I do not feel that I ought to ask him again. He always finds some perfectly good excuse.

There is one problem in which we are intensely interested here at the present time and that is cool storage for apples

Mr. A. W. L. -2.

and Prof. Corbett can help us better than anyone else. I shall also write to him with a view of getting some one from his department.

In regard to delegate we will make our selection next Saturday when we will hold a meeting at Mr. Rasmussen's home.

I think your suggestion in regard to your man who is connected with your garden work is most excellent and we will be pleased to have him. I do not know what Mr. Rasmussen's intention may be in regard to coming to your meeting but I do know that we have the biggest lot of cranks in the United States for law makers in Wisconsin; for instance at the last session of the legislature the law concerned with auditing accounts was ammended as indicated by enclosed slip. From this you will see that we can send only one person to your Convention and that will be the regular delegate. This is an~~e~~ irritating and senseless thing to do but it is the law and we cannot get away from it. The first law passed on this subject positively forbid anyone traveling outside of the state on public expense and this was the reason I asked you a few years ago to shift the expense accounts. Later the law was modified so that we might step over the state line if we secured permission from the Governor and that we have done for the past two years. Now comes this additional nonsense.

In regard to material from our state in making up your program will state that anyone of a dozen members of the Lake Geneva Ass'n. can furnish you with excellent papers on any topic connected with floriculture or landscape gardening. Among these I would especially recommend A. Martini, Axel Johnson and Wm. Longland all of Lake Geneva. Along the line of plant diseases I cannot speak too highly of Prof. R. E. Vaughn of the Agricultural College who is not only well informed but a fluent speaker. Will write you again soon after our Board Meeting.

Very truly yours,

*Frederic C. Crayfield*  
Sec. W. S. H. S.

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MADISON, WIS.. Oct. 11, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec.,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.,

Dear Friend:-

This is to advise you that our president has appointed Wm. Toole of Baraboo as delegate to attend your annual convention.

I presume you know of Mr. Toole who, for thirty-five years has been a pansy specialist but is also wonderfully well informed on flower culture in general, both garden flowers and shrubs. Mr. Toole has also a very comprehensive knowledge of native shrubs and flowering plants and can give you a good paper along any of these lines. I feel that he would much prefer to be called on for some other subject than pansies.

Will you please let me know soon the name of your delegate who will tell us about the War Garden work, as I am planning on that for our Convention.

Rasmussen was here yesterday on his way to the Market Gardeners Convention at Springfield, Mass., and remarked that he hoped to be able to attend your Convention. I had also expected to attend but according to the provisions of our new law it will be impossible for me to do so.

With regrets on this score and very best wishes, I remain

Very truly yours,

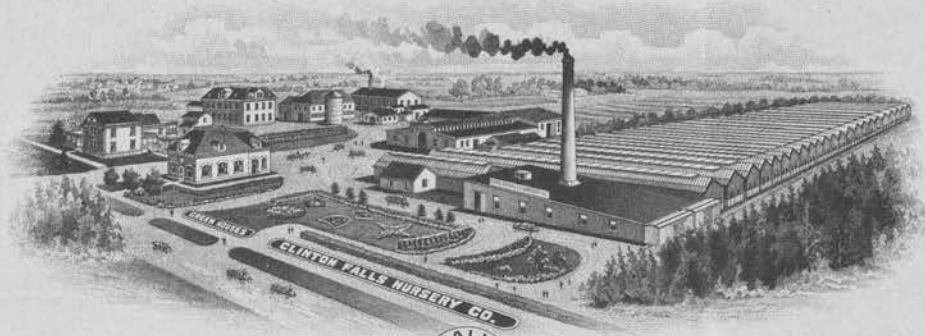
P.S. I am planning to attend the Boston Meeting and think you ought to go along. F. C.

*Fredric Cranfield*  
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October 13, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

Your favor received. I think Mr. T. A. Erickson would be a splendid man to send to the Wisconsin meeting.

I have no choice as to who should represent us in the other states. I will endorse anyone you suggest.

Yes, I was sorry that I could not meet you the other day while in Minneapolis. I had a ticket bought for Excelsior and my train left in twenty minutes after reaching your office, so I was unable to wait. The worst of it was, I had to be back in St. Paul before three o'clock to meet with members of the Public Safety Commission.

With best wishes,

Respectfully,

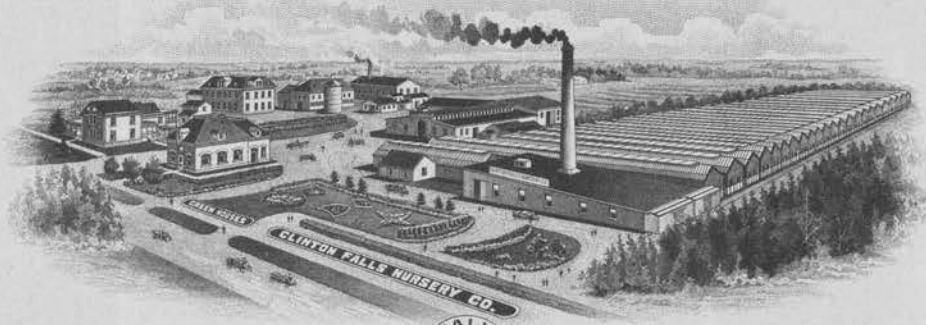
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**Owatonna, Minn.**

October 25, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

I have marked your circular "No 1" - "O.K.". I do not think the ten cents additional will decrease the membership to speak of and it will put you on a good financial basis.

As to printing the membership roll, I hardly know what to say. I think if you printed any all should be printed. In my last letter I advised that we leave the membership list out. After thinking the matter over, I realize that this membership list has been of great value to me, and I am sure to others, in looking addresses of men I wanted to write to -- men whom I knew, but did not know their address.. However, you have the situation well in hand, and anything you do along that line will be satisfactory to me..

Do you intend to attend the Horticultural Meeting at Washington this year? Minnesota should have a representative. I hope you can go.

Very respectfully,

*Thos. E. Cashman*

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Oscoda Wis.

Nov. 4th 1917

Mr. A. W. Lathan.  
Mpls. Minn.

Dear Sir,

Just received a letter from  
Mr. Chas. Haralson, Esculivon. Saying I  
could get Prof. S. B. Green's Book "Popular fruit  
growing"; enclosed please find money  
order for same.

and oblige.

W. B. Carniff.

Oscoda

R. F. D. No 3.

Wis.

P.S. If not enough money to cover postage  
will send what ever is deficient.

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The University of Minnesota

Department of Agriculture  
University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

October 31st, 1917.

Mr. J. M. Underwood,

Lake City, Minn.

Dear Mr. Underwood:

At your suggestion and at the request of Secretary Latham I visited Mr. J. P. Vikla's place at Lonsdale October 23rd.

Mr. Vikla lives in town and I first went over the two small nursery plots on which he is growing the Vikla plum and several other kinds of plums, apples, and small fruits. He showed me plums of this variety, both budded and grafted on young stock and on stock that had been topworked. All seemed to be thrifty, reasonably strong growing trees. The Vikla plum grows much faster than its stock and consequently makes a bulge at the union. We also visited the original tree which is on the farm about three and a half miles from town. This tree, Mr. Vikla said, is about thirteen years old, was healthy and vigorous, except that certain small twigs were dead. Mr. Vikla explained this by saying that a year or so ago an extra strong spray of kerosene and some other material had been used, injuring both the fruit and twigs of that year. The growth this year was as good as could be expected from the care the tree has been receiving.

I saw two or three other trees that had been topworked with the Vikla. In all cases they appeared to be healthy. I think there is no question but what the tree is perfectly healthy on Mr. Vikla's place. I think, however, it would be well to try it out in a number of other localities before we can be sure of the hardiness and value of the tree. Mr. Vikla tells me that he believes it to be a cross between the Burbank and the DeSoto. The Burbank seed was planted.

He showed me the original orchard which had been planted to Burbank, DeSoto, Weaver, and several other varieties. The DeSoto and Burbank were closest, some eight or ten feet apart at the north end of the row. The Weaver was probably thirty or forty feet from the Burbank at the south end of the row.

Neither the small trees or the original tree have been cared for as well as they might have been. The small trees have not been trimmed and I am afraid have not been well cultivated. Nevertheless, they have made a good growth for the conditions under which they are living.

Yours very truly,

*Le Roy Cady*

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Copy for Mr. A. W. Latham.

Assoc. Prof. of Horticulture

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**Owatonna, Minn.**  
Nov. 19, 1917.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I received a program of the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

I enclose herewith annual report blank for life members filled out. I would like very much if you could give me the program or the name of the speakers at the Banquet. I would like a little preparation on this and as I do not know very many of the people who are likely to make an address at the Banquet, would like to know in advance just who they are and where they are from.

Very truly yours,

MRC.M

*M. R. Cashman*