



Minnesota State  
Horticultural Society Letters  
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*Minneapolis, Minn. DEC 4 1895*

A.W. Lathom,

Excelsior, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Can you furnish us with a list of the fruit growers in this State, also in the Northwest? If you can do this, it would be quite a favor to us. Please let us hear from you, and oblige

Yours truly,

*E. P. Stacy & Sons.*

Sank Rapids  
Nov 20th 1965

Mr Latham Dear sir  
Your letters were  
received and the report  
has been sent to Prof  
Green. I shall endeavour  
to be at the meeting. May  
also bring other ladies belong-  
ing to the Society.  
There are some subjects we  
would like information  
about, but that can  
be attended to at that  
time

Respect Yours  
Jennie Stager

# BANK OF CALEDONIA.

Office of

· · · A. D. SPRAGUE, · · ·

Caledonia, Minn., Nov 27 1895

Mr A W Lotham Sec  
Minn Horticultural Society

Dear Sir

Your of  
Recent date is at hand and  
contents noted I will make  
an effort to secure membership

Yours Truly  
A D Sprague

Friend

Benton Harbor Dec. 18/95

Dear Mr Latham,

I enclose you  
my fee to the Horticult. Soc for  
the last year, am sorry to  
have been so unskill in  
paying it. I am also  
sorry to say I shall not  
be able to continue my  
subscription for the coming  
year, but called for money  
in different directions have  
been so numerous that I am  
obliged to deny myself of it.  
Wishing you always the best of  
Success which I am sure you richly  
merit, I remain yours truly  
Louis Samson

Louisburg Miss  
12/13 1845:

Mrs Latham

Enclosed find  
stamps to forward Photos.  
Please forward to the  
following address.

Alburt Pelton  
care Mrs E. M. Scott  
Ck River  
Miss.

and oblige.

I send \$1.00 for  
my horticulturalist. The drought  
has chased me too close  
for another year. a continual  
round of dissatisfaction.  
very respectfully

Lambert Skillman.

Dealer in ▲ ▲ ▲ ▲



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Eureka, Minn., Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> 1895.

A. W. Latham

Dear Friend

Yours rec'd + I enclose ad. for 96. Suppose it will be same price as last year. I called at Goulds, but he did not have Bond ready to sign yet. Will attend to it though. Let me sell you some plants for 96. I have a fine assortment to choose from.

Yours Truly  
C. W. Sampson.

2090 Dooley Avenue,  
St. Anthony Park, Minn.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Dear Sir: Your  
communications in regard to the  
committee work on "Cooking and  
Pantry Stores" have been received.  
Will you kindly tell me some-  
thing further about this committee.

It is the chairman is it not who  
writes the report? And I am  
to send my results to her?

May I ask who she is, and  
when my report should be

sent to her:

I should be thankful for  
any suggestions as to the  
handling of this subject, what  
points should be considered  
etc.

Very Truly Yours

Adelaide C. Snyder.

Viola Mann  
Oct. 29/95

Friend Latham

Dear Sir

Yours rec'd  
and in reply will say that I  
will try to get up a paper on  
"Deciduous trees and shrubs"  
but will say that I am hardly  
able to prepare a paper that  
would be of much interest on  
that subject. On the paper  
concerning the "premiums granted  
us by the agricultural society"  
I will try to do that subject  
justice. As for any suggestions  
on the program for our winter  
meeting I don't think of any  
that would be of any advantage.  
When you get your program

and premium list completed  
please send me a copy and Hige  
Yours Respectfully  
Tom Somerville

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

Agricultural Experiment Station.

St. Anthony Park, Minn., Oct 28, 1895

Mr. A. W. Lathan,  
Minneapolis,  
Minn.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 21<sup>st</sup> recd. Must say that my work for the Horticultural Society has been pleasant and instructive, and I hope the report thereon may be of use to the Society. Should prefer the title of "Report"  
Yours truly  
Wm. J. Shaw.

Lake City Oct 3/95  
A H Lathorn

Minneapolis Minn  
Dear Sir -

As you received  
I cannot write that  
paper for your record as I  
have not got the time you  
may not be aware that the  
Lamb of the flock as I call  
my self at the meeting last  
winter is in his eighty  
seventh year and is trying  
to do five mens work and  
is at the present time work  
day and night to try and

Save what he had raised  
this summer I fell down  
the cellar at the Lyon House  
about six weeks ago and  
hurt my self very bad but  
owing to the glut in garden  
trucks I had to keep fat it  
as it did not pay to hire help  
have hauled in the last  
few days one thousand and twenty  
some more different kinds  
my Boston sharrow fat seed  
fine and Chicago Orange  
were beauties and weighed  
as high as thirty one pounds  
I always have good luck  
with my sacks now I suppose  
you think I could write

that off sighty well now  
I must explain the matter  
I have quite a large garden  
in town about one acre and  
about a mile and a quarter  
out I have in small trucks  
about seven acres more and  
I try to do all the work myself  
and after I get home at night  
I have to unload my load  
and put it down cellar and  
the wood milk the cow  
take care of the horse feed  
the chickens and by the time  
the old lamb is through  
it is bed time and I have  
no time to write but soon  
this work will be done and  
then I will correct and write  
it off and send it to you  
C. J. & Stuart

Wola Oct 6<sup>th</sup> 95

Friend Latham Dear sir  
yours of the 3<sup>rd</sup> at hand and  
in reply will say I will get up  
such a paper as you call for as I  
think it all right and am glad  
the papers took such a stand as they  
did on the subject as I believe the  
state and the agricultural society  
should do all in their power to  
encourage fruit growing in our own  
state as I am satisfied in the southern  
part of the state all the apples grapes  
plums and small fruits can be  
grown for to supply our own market  
but the people wants a good educator  
in that line in the farmers Institute  
I have written a number of letters this  
morning answering inquirys in regard  
to fruit growing yours W<sup>m</sup> Somerville

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St. Paul, Minn. Sep. 4. 1893

A. W. Latham Esq

Dear Sir

I will act as one of the judges of the floral exhibit at the state fair, please let me know what time you will be ready.

Resp yours  
James Sander

P.S.

If you have not already secured your other judges, I can arrange to have an expert in that kind of work come along with me.

J. S.

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A. W. LATHAM,

*Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,*

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Excelsior, Sep. 6. 1895.

Dear Sir:

We will send one bushel  
of those haas apples on  
Saturday morning.

The price ought to be  
\$2.50 a bushel.

Yours truly,

John Steller.



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

*A. W. LATHAM,*

*Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,*

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Dear Sir

I have told Fred to keep  
express the apples you refer to  
\*you may expect them unless stolen  
before tomorrow week

Hope you recd that bunch of "crabs" I left  
with your son % Hazel

H. Thorbeck

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COR. COMO AVE. AND ELFELT ST

St. Paul, Minn. Sep 11. 1895

A. W. Latham Esq

Dear Sir

I am very sorry that I cannot fulfill my promise to act as judge on floral exhibit, owing to Mrs Louden being very sick.

This letter will make you acquainted with Mr Joseph Taylor who is willing to act in my place.

He understands all the different branches of floriculture, I am confident he will do the work in good shape

I am yours very resp

James Louden

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Berries in their season.

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HANOVER, WIS.

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SEPT 4TH, 1895.

A. W. LATHAM.

• MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

DEAR SIR:-

I RECEIVED BILL FOR MY ADD IN THE MINN. HORT. A SHORT TIME  
AGO, IT WAS NOT CONVIENT TO REMIT JUST THEN, AND I LAID THE BILL ON MY  
DESK. AND TO SAVE MY NECK I CANNOT FIND IT.  
I THINK IT WAS FOR \$4.50, AND INCLOSE THAT AMMOUNT  
IF THIS IS NOT RIGHT PLEAS LET ME KNOW.

YOURS VERY TRULY,

E. J. SCOFIELD.

ED. WEAVER, MANKATO,  
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# Minnesota State Agricultural Society.

STATE FAIR OF 1895, SEPT. 9 TO 14.

Secretary's Office.

HAMLIN, MINN. *Aug 14<sup>th</sup> 1895*

A. W. Latham Esq.  
Minneapolis, Minn.  
Friend Latham,

Your esteemed favor of the 15<sup>th</sup> at hand, and in reply would state, that we had at one time, great hopes of having power brought into the Grounds, through the street railway. but as they could not spare us the power, we had to give up that idea. I am sorry, for it would be no trouble to furnish you the power, if we had been successful. I will keep you posted from time to time, in your department.

Yours resp.

Gardner Stevens

Viola Aug 23, 95

Friend Latham

Dear I have shipped  
one box of apples to Abbeville  
for our winter meeting  
and also one for the fair  
I expect to make a respect-  
able exhibit at the fair although  
not such a one as would  
have made had it not bin  
for the hail and storm  
on August the 4<sup>th</sup> but  
cannot help these Providence  
tal accidents I wish you would  
see Mr Elliott or Mr Gregg  
and see if I could get a room  
at the farm Building as I  
had last year as I would like  
to stay nigh the fair grounds

Yours Wm Somerville

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STATE FAIR OF 1895, SEPT. 9 TO 14.

Secretary's Office.

HAMLIN, MINN. *Aug 29<sup>th</sup> 1895.*

*A. W. Latham Esq.  
Minneapolis, Minn.*

*Friend Latham,*

*Up to date, I have only received (3) entries  
in your department, as follows: E. Nagel & Co, H. L. Crane, and  
Hessling & Hartman.*

*Yours Resf.  
Gardner Brown.*

Sank Rapids April 30th 185

Mr Latham Dear Sir

You likely think I have not done any thing towards getting new Members. Well the fact is drawing an eye tooth is no circumstance to asking a man for a dollar now days. However I send you three new <sup>Members</sup> and hope to keep it up. Have received premiums from four places for last year all were nice except from J.P. Andrews. I should think he was trying to clear out and old dead plantations of Caspberry Grove M.W. looks and Echo farm. Group two, and four, have not heard yet. But I am more anxious that the subscribers I sent should get their things, than myself as it will bring more Members likely. Prof Green sent me a little stock and in Splendid Condition. Mr Latham you do not know how I have always felt your kindness. I wish you could take Mrs Latham and come up here this

Summer for a little jaunt Could you  
not if nothing happens spend fourth  
of July with us. You could come up  
the afternoon or evening before and  
we would try to make your stay  
pleasant. Think of it.

For my Premium I should like a  
Hydrangea P. G. No 8. Rose Juliette Douper  
No. 7. Two Smiths gooseberries No 9. Also  
would like back report bound for 1892  
as I have not got it and have all the others  
from 1886. Hoping to write soon again  
am  
Respe Yours

Jennie Stager

I have just been out to give some  
Snyder Black berries to a farmer by  
the name of William Orcutt. You  
see I also offer a premium for subscribers  
to the H Magazine. When I was at his  
house in Dec he promised to join  
as soon as he had the money and  
I left your address in the news  
paper so if he could not get

William Stammer,

— PROPRIETOR OF —

Columbian Experimental Seedling Nursery and

**FRUIT**

DEALER IN

Apple-  
Plum-  
and Cherry  
TREES.



**FARM.**

DEALER IN

Grape-  
Raspberry-  
Strawberry and  
Currant Bushes.

J. O. South Osborn, Wis. July 15 1895

Dear Sir H. W. Latham, Sec  
with great interest. I have read the re-  
ports of your Experimental Stations  
of the State of Minn. and the Summer  
Meeting of 1895 is very interesting  
for me. Your Horticulturist was  
sent to me last week through some  
good friend. I almost think  
by A. J. Phillips, our Sec.

I am very interested in the line  
of Fruit Growing, and Experimenting  
in New Seedlings of Apples, and some  
8 or 10 varieties of Apples, from  
Germany. I got the Grafts in 1894.  
This Winter I got from there 10 varieties  
of Pear Grafts, the most of them is

growing of from the 5,000 of  
Apple Seedlings. that I had grafted  
a year ago. is over one half root  
killed the last Winter, there was  
47 Paris legs on Trial, and there  
are a few Paris legs where every one  
is killed. some about half, some  
all together. I have got from 80 to 85  
New Apple Seedlings of the choicest  
and best Paris legs. that I could  
find in our game Co. Wis. now on  
Trial on my little Station. —  
out of this number I have send  
to your Gen. State Station, for trial  
30 Paris legs, and if you like to  
try more of them. You can have them,  
and further I see in the Soc. Corner  
that you have got a lot of back Num., of  
the Horti., from last year and this J.  
You can send us about 30 or more  
of different kinds. I will distribute  
them to Apple Growers, where I think  
they will read them.

Yours Truly  
William Stummer;  
Sent 30-9/24/95, (a Member)

Viola July 15<sup>th</sup> 95

Mr Latham Dear sir

yours of the 12<sup>th</sup> at hand and in answer  
will say I think 4 tags will be sufficient  
but would like you would come and see  
what we have the last of this week or the  
first of next you will not miss the time 50  
years hence you can take the Milwaukee train  
at 2 o'clock and some minutes to Red wing  
then to Sota by way of gum Lake and Rochester  
then change cars and take the Plamview  
train and get off at Sota and I will be there  
or if you take the Morning train you  
can get to our house at noon let me  
know when you can come if you have  
3 or 4 Extra Magazines of the last No

Please send to me and Olige yours

Wm Somerville

Wieda June 17<sup>th</sup> 95

Friend Latham Dear Sir

My prospect for apples is not so encouraging as when I was in your office either from the effects of frosts or insects the little apples is falling off badly do not do any thing with that sketch of my life I sent you as I know what you want and I will send you another in a short time I hope you will have a good time at your meeting I wish I could be with you but cannot

Yours W<sup>m</sup> Somerville

Lank Rapids  
June 24<sup>th</sup> 195-

Mr Latham Dear sir

The reason I did not write when I sent my report I was ill in bed with a very bad and sudden attack of inflammation of the bladder. I was told it was likely to last six weeks but was only sick two. Of course I knew if I was sick it would not be pleasant for you to come. But now I very much wish for

You self and wife to  
give us the pleasure of  
being with us for the  
fourth. You could come  
either on the noon  
train (The northern  
Pacific comes to Dunk  
Rapids) or the one that  
gets in at seven in the  
eve. (There is still another  
at eleven at night if  
your business detained  
you) or the third, and  
you could take the  
afternoon train on  
the 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> and  
or have a chance to  
see quite a good deal  
of St Cloud & Dunk R.  
I think you ought to  
come in <sup>the</sup> interest of

the Society, and as  
there will be excursion  
tickets it will not  
cost the Society much  
and might do a great  
deal of good. I am afraid  
you will find a great  
many weeds but while  
I was sick nothing was  
done but wait on me so  
that you will excuse.  
I really do have the egotism  
of thinking we can  
make your visit pleasant  
Tell your wife it will  
do her good to run  
away awhile and  
she will appreciate her  
own home better after  
getting back. I always <sup>do</sup>

Tell her there is no  
style about us only a  
Plain Country family  
also tell her to bring  
a Colico gown if she  
has one, then she  
can feel rested and  
lie around between  
rides and suppers:

I wish you would let  
me know as soon as  
possible (Don't say no)  
as I will then have time  
to see Superintendent Lee  
of the Reformatory so as  
to get a special permit  
so you can see the  
horticulture of that  
place, also you could  
let me know later

if necessary what train  
you come on so I could  
meet you. Passa can  
tell you its rather a  
pretty country up here.  
with kindest regards  
to your wife and boys  
James Fensie Stager

Thank you for your postcard  
I am pleased you had such  
a nice society and glad Mrs  
Kenidy was there. You would  
not need me as she is equal  
to half a dozen such as I. and  
I somehow think the society  
is the one beam in  
an otherwise very dull life

Post Office Order

Enclosed please find three dollars  
\$3. Membership fee for  
E. W. Carlson

Box 55 St Cloud Minn  
Premiums No 1. 2. & 3. Grapes send as  
soon as possible.

Mrs Joseph Sartell.

St Cloud Minn  
No 1. 2. 3. Grapes.

Mrs Emma Stanley

Sank Rapids Minn  
No 4. 5. 9.

These people all live in the country  
but the above is their address.

Jennie Stager

down to me to send direct to  
you. therefore he came for his premium  
also he wanted to know if he was  
sure to get the premium from your  
office. Please credit him to me.  
I forgot to say I saw Mr Brandt's  
scurrilous attack on the Society  
and your self in the Paper.  
Suppose it was caused by jealousy  
But was very sorry to see it. Of  
course no one who know you  
would pay any attention to it

J B

Sauk Rapids  
May 9th

**Horticulture.**

Now is the time for those who wish nice fruit to join the State Horticultural Society. By the payment of one dollar membership fee, you will receive a bound book of reports of the Society, worth twice the amount to any one who wish to raise fruit, also a monthly Magazine on the same subject and three Premiums of plants. The plants alone worth more than a dollar. For further information apply to Jennie Stager, Vice President for this district, at her fruit farm in Sauk Rapids

Mr Lathum Dear Sir  
Letter and Book  
received, thanks.

Enclosed please find  
P.O. order for one dollar  
memberships fee for  
Mrs Alfred Francis  
Box 2, 61 ~~St. Cloud~~  
St. Cloud  
Minn

Plant premiums wanted  
No 5  
" 9  
" 7

Enclosure ad brought this  
member  
J Stager

as for your letter for photograph and Biography  
there is nothing very interesting about that  
but will send them to you and you can do as  
you please about their publication if you throw  
The Biography in waist Basket <sup>it will</sup> not offend me neither  
will I cuff the society and think them dishonest  
I am in hopes that this summer you can  
pay us that visit that you promised last summer  
I would like you and Mr Eliott would pay  
us a visit about the middle of August and  
see our Orchard as I think I will have near  
100 varieties of Apples unless something befalls  
them yet I think you Underwood and Mr  
Eliott should be a committee to make observations  
on fruit and fruit trees  
Yours Truly  
Wm Somerville

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United States of America

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Mr. A. W. Lasham

207 Kasota Bk.

Minneapolis  
Minn.

Hasty Mamma.

June 11<sup>th</sup> 95<sup>m</sup>

Mr. Lesham

I send  
to Mr. Gould today  
remittance for Bk.  
berries and other fruits.  
\$3.00 due you. Excuse  
delay it seemed un-  
avoidable

Respectfully  
Mrs. L. V. Stark.

Dawson Minn April 20<sup>th</sup>  
1895.

A. W. Latham Secretary  
of the Minnesota Horticultural  
Society Minneapolis, Minn.  
Dear Sir: -

Enclose, Please find \$ 4.00  
for 4 New Members of the  
Minnesota State Horticultural  
Society. I went around to  
my Neighbors got them to  
Subscribe.

The selection of Primulas  
is as Follows:

|       |   |     |   |
|-------|---|-----|---|
| Group | 1 | lot | 4 |
| "     | 2 | "   | 4 |
| "     | 3 | "   | 4 |
| "     | 4 | "   | 5 |
| "     | 5 | "   | 2 |
| "     | 6 | "   | 1 |

Address  
Thos A. Anderson  
Dawson  
Box 24 Minn.

N. A. Bolstad  
Dawson Minn.

Primum  
Group 4 Lot 1 and 2  
" 2 " 3 4 and 5  
" 5 " 3

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No J Hanson  
boy 7<sup>5</sup> Dawson Minn  
Group 4 lot 1 and 2  
" 1 " 4  
" 5 " 4 and 5  
" 6 " 5

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W. E. Mills  
Laquiparle  
Minn  
Group 1 lot 4  
" 2 " 2  
" 3 " 1  
" 4 " 3  
" 5 " 2  
" 6 " 1

Perhaps some of this primum  
are not selected right, I  
thought that if I did not  
select any in one group I  
was intitle to new, in the next  
act.

Henry Steenson  
who is my son, was a  
member last year, had  
no luck with his primum,  
The all died, Ours to the group  
am I Intitle to a Member-  
ship for 1895? when  
sending 4 new names?

I Respectfully Yours

O. H. Steenson.  
Dawson  
Minn.

Redding 6 June 1895

A W Latham

Dear Sir Inclosed please  
find <sup>^</sup> Postmoney order for one  
\$ 1.00 Dollar. And please send  
the Horticulturist to  
John A. Larson  
Belvidere Mills P.O.

Box 21. Goodhue Co. Minn.

I suppose you can send the  
back numbers by mail <sup>to</sup> the  
above address too.

You will send all the books  
you can afford to — this express  
office is Goodhue Station  
Goodhue Co. Minn  
and he will pay the express  
charges there.

Prosperity to the Horticulturist  
and its editor!

Very respectfully yours  
E Shogren.

Redding 27 April 1895

Dear Charles Farman,  
Greetings!

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A. W. LATHAM,

*Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,*

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Excelsior 5/30/95

Mr Latham



I think June 24th  
will be about the time Strambert's  
will be in their prime,  
As to my attending the  
meeting I have some doubts  
attending will have to save  
every cent I can get Sampson

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Wala. February 20<sup>th</sup> 95-

Mr Latham Dear sir,  
yours of the 1<sup>st</sup> at hand and will  
try and fill the place as well as I can  
has Mr Gregg sent you that paper on  
preaching yet I write to him to send to you  
I am glad that at the last Worcester Mass  
meeting the election of secretary was  
put out the way of bucking but sumbody  
was very mad yours truly

Wm Somerville

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F. Brand, S. B. Green, H. B. Ayres.

Minneapolis, Minn., May 24/89

My dear Latham,

I never wrote a biography of myself; probably never will. If there is any thing I could do to favor you, depends on it - I should do it.

As you are an Excelsior man I enclose an article by Hon. D. R. Farnham of Wright Co. in regard to myself. It was published in the Delano Eagle, a year or two since just previous to my delivering an agricultural address before the Wright Co. Agt Fair; perhaps it would suit you. It was printed without my knowledge or consent, If it don't suit return you friend J. Stevens to me,

STATE OF MINNESOTA.  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.  
SAINT PAUL.

Saint Paul, May 8th, 1895.

Mt. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

The Pioneer Press Company and their Attorney waited upon me this morning and after consultation with the Attorney General I was ordered to inform you that no act of the last legislature could or was intended to abrogate any contract already in existence, and further, that I am not to audit any claim made by Smith & Harrison for printing the February number of said Horticultural Society. *all further*

*Copy for succeeding numbers must be sent to  
Pioneer Press, St Paul*

Yours truly,

*Geo. D. Stowers*  
State Expert Printer.

Center Chair. May 1, '95  
Mr. A. W. Latham

Dear Sir,

I gave Mr. C. Wedge my name  
at our Institute at Fairmount  
for a membership to the state  
Horticultural Society, & received  
returns in due time, I received  
the annual report of '94 & the  
March No. for '95, & should like  
the back numbers for '95, & I  
will take as premiums, numbers

- 6, 1 - Buffalo berry
  - 9, 2 - Smiths improved gooseberry <sup>plants</sup>
  - 10, 2 - Downing gooseberry plants
- Yours truly, A. W. Shaver

P. O. Center Chair Minn.

Shipping Point, Fairmount, ..

please notify, how & when shipped.

Mr. A. Lohman  
207 Kasota Block  
Minneapolis, Minn.



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

*A. W. Latham*

*207. Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis,*  
*Minn.*

April 29<sup>th</sup> - Received today Horticulturist  
for March, Addressed to A. M. Seymour  
and taken from P.O. by him & returned

A. M. S.

Marzhanie Dane Co. Wis. April 27/95

A. W. Latham, Dear Sir: I sent to you March 11<sup>th</sup>

One Dollar, for Membership in our Hort. Society,  
and expected to receive The Minnesota Horticulturist,  
I have not received anything yet, and I suspect  
you have sent to Arba M. Seymour, instead of to me,  
I want you to examine your book and see that  
you have my name on your book as it should be  
(Asa N. Seymour) I have trouble in this way by  
people being careless about the Address.

Cordially Yours.

Asa N. Seymour



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A. W. Latham Sec.

207. Kasota Block

Minneapolis,  
Minn.

Mazo Manie Wis May 7/95  
A. W. Satham!

Dear Sir!

Yours of 2<sup>d</sup> inst,  
received, I did receive The Annual Report  
of Minnesota Horticultural Society for 1894, by  
Express as you state, and think it worth more  
than my Dollar, also the Premiums, and the  
March No. of Horticulturist addressed to A. W.  
Beymour, which I have read with great interest.

Cordially Yours,

Asa N. Seymour

Trysil T. O. Cafs Co. N. Dak. May 21-1895

A. W. Latham Sec.

Minneapolis.-Minn.

Dear Sir:

When I sent in my membership fees to the Society I among the premiums selected the one under No. 5. "Six golden Queen raspberries" to be sent by mail to my address, but not yet is any received; wherefore it is expected the same has been forgotten, so I hereby take the opportunity and notifying same, hoping said premium as soon as possible must be sent to my address. -

Very Respectfully

Ole Strandwold.

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A. W. LATHAM,

MINNEAPOLIS,  
MINN.

FEB 13 1895.

DEAR SIR:-

YOURS RECEIVED. IN REPLY WOULD SAY, THAT I WILL TAKE SPACE ONE YEAR; IN THE MINNESOTA HORTICULTURIST. IF MY STANDING IS SATISFACTORY: AND TERMS, WHICH ARE JUNE 1ST, 95; I SEND CATALOGUE (THIS MAIL) YOU WILL FIND MY REFERENCE ON PAGE 13 IN ADDITION TO THESE I REFER TO FARM STOCK & HOME. MINNEAPOLIS, ALSO J.S.HARRIS. LA-CRESCENT, MINN MR HARRIS HAS HAD PLANTS FROM ME PAST TWO SEASONS. YOU WILL FIND HIS TESTIMONY IN MY CATALOGUE, PAGE 12. I HAVE MARKED SPACE I WISH IN YOUR DIAGRAM. (WHICH I RETURN) I ALSO INCLOSE COPY OF ADD WHICH I MAY WANT TO CHANGE BEFORE END OF YEAR.

YOURS VERRY TRULY,

E. J. Scofield

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Answer

February 18th 96

Friend Lathand Dear Sir

I received a letter from our senator Mr  
Stellens He said he would do what he could  
for an additional appropriation for the Horticultur-  
al society when the Bill would come before the  
House it would be well for the Legislative  
committee to get acquainted with them and  
our Representative understand as they are  
Influential men I have written to each of  
them and do not believe you could put the  
bill in better hands than either of those men  
Especially stellens as he is a man of Influence  
at home or in the senate

at our Horticultural meeting at Lake city  
a point brought out to put too corps of Institute  
workers in the field in my opinion there could be  
no better means applied to kill the Antitrust in  
Institute work the more corps is put in the field  
the sooner the Antitrust will die I know this where  
we have held Institutes twice at the same place

anxiety which we have a few times the second  
never had the same interest as the first so any  
thing can be over done to all interest is lost especially  
where a farmer thinks that it costs money then  
get a surgeon on the corps like Mr who has  
a pet the best apple in America Institute work  
would soon die and not enough interest left to give  
it a decent burial Mr Gregg's Book has more to do  
in keeping up interest than all that is said on the  
Platform he has distributed over 100,000 copies  
of his book over this state and the number of insti-  
tutes he holds will give one Institute in each Co  
in the state once in ten years and with the Book  
it is as often as people want to hear the same  
story from the platform the trouble with Mr Gregg  
in my opinion he represents too many interests  
that is all the fault I find in his work but perhaps  
is best ware I with the Institute I would not write  
this but as Sammet and do not know as will be  
again I feel free to give my opinion this is  
not for publication but Pleas show to Mr Eliott  
and Mr Underwood or any other friend  
Yours Truly Wm Sumner

there is more interest in what will be than has ever been before  
in this state Sammet almost says never was in the Institute work

as it takes for much time to answer the letters recd

Arkansas Agricultural Experiment Station.

JOHN T. STINSON,  
HORTICULTURIST.

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Fayetteville, Ark. April-17-1895

Mr. A. W. Latham

Sect. Minn. Hort. Society.

Minneapolis Minn.

My Dear Sir.

Please accept my thanks  
for putting this Dept. on your exchange.  
We will put your name as well  
as the library on our mailing list.

We do not have your annual  
report for 1894.

If I can be of any service  
to you in this section at any  
time, please call on me.

Yours very truly  
John T. Stinson

## ARKANSAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION,

AT

JOHN T. STINSON,  
HORTICULTURIST.

ARKANSAS INDUSTRIAL UNIVERSITY,

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.

4-8-95

The Minnesota Horticulturist:-

Minneapolis Minn.

Gentlemen:-

We would be glad to get  
the Minn. Horticulturist on our exchange  
list. If you will send it to The  
Horticultural Dept of the Experiment  
Station it would be considered  
a favor-

Yours very truly  
John T. Stinson

## OFFICERS OF THE STATION:

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 THOS SHAW, Animal Husbandry.  
 J. A. VYE, Secretary.

TELEPHONE 662-6.

Jan 20/95

Mr. A. H. Fatham

Secy -

Dear Sir:

I have just received your letter in regard to the paper. I left the paper on the President's desk. Mr. Collins asked me for the paper, and I told him it was now the property of the society; he has the paper, and if it is not returned I will have it recopied for you.

I am, Very truly yours  
 Harry Snyder

Fertilizers

H. Snyder.

Wrote to Collins

2/22/95

Adrian, Nobles Co. Minn.  
April 3<sup>d</sup> 1895-

Mr. A. W. Latham  
Secy. State Horticult- Society  
St. Paul, Minn.,

Dear Sir:—

Enclosed please find draft-  
for <sup>(+)</sup> ③ Three dollars membership  
fee for the following persons for  
1895 in the Minn. State Horticul-  
tural Society. The first ~~is~~  
a member in 1894 and is entitled  
to the bound reports of last-year.

The last-two are new members  
and wish to receive all the back  
reports which you can furnish.

Please enter our names as members  
and send reports as soon as convenient  
& oblige

M. Sullivan M. D.  
J. C. Becker  
Geo. Kolastky.



Farmington Apr 8, 1895

Mr A. W. Latham

Dr Sir

As I am a new  
subscriber of 1895 I am entitled  
to three premiums from your  
list I would select

No 1, 2 and 3 in your list  
grape vines, to be sent at  
the proper season

Yours Respectfully

Direct to, Caleb Smith  
Farmington  
Minn

Howard Lake Wright Cochran  
Oct 19

April 1<sup>st</sup> 1895

Mr J. W. Latham

For yours of Mar 27 recd  
enclosing membership tickets  
for Mrs Latham & myself

We are in doubt when our term  
would be out but supposed it  
would be Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1896 but it  
seems by the card to be Jan <sup>1<sup>st</sup></sup> 1895  
if there not a mistake in  
the year date on the card

Yours &c

Wm O. Shearman



Minnesota  
State Horticultural Society.

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Chanhassen Minn.

April 1st 1895

G. W. Latham Sec.

Dear Sir

I have not received the "Horticulturist" for Feb. or March '95 nor the report for '94 as promised to those who paid the dues. Please forward them,

and I did not like the place of holding the Annual Meeting first it was given out to be in Minneapolis and all at once taken to Lake City.

How was that?

Respectfully  
John M. Sibley  
Chanhassen.  
Minn.

THE MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY, incorporated under the laws of this state, has for its work the accumulation of horticultural knowledge relating to forestry, fruit and vegetable growing, the culture of flowers, etc.

The present working membership consists of over four hundred of the most active and wide-awake professional and amateur horticulturists throughout the Northwest.

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The annual winter meeting of four days is an event of great interest, and the published report which follows reflects with accuracy the condition of horticulture throughout the state.

Some twenty different committees, selected from the members, have special charge of investigations in the various branches of horticulture, and a dozen experiment stations in different parts of the state, under the charge of members, are making practical tests of everything new and desirable. The annual reports made by these committees and by the superintendents of the experiment stations, along with the papers and discussions and other information of value are compiled and printed in book form annually at the expense of the state. The society receives also from the same source a small annual appropriation to assist in carrying on its work.

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**GROUP ONE.**—From Mendenhall Greenhouses, Minneapolis  
Lot 1.—Two geraniums.  
Lot 2.—Four pansies (assorted.)  
Lot 3.—Two daisies and one Manettia vine.  
Lot 4.—One heliotrope and one tea rose.

**GROUP TWO.**—From M. W. Cook's Nursery, Rochester.  
Lot 1.—Four Stone's Hardy blackberries.  
Lot 2.—Six Turner red raspberries.  
Lot 3.—Eight Warfield and four Bederwood strawberries  
Lot 4.—Eight Crescent and four Jessie strawberries.  
Lot 5.—Twelve Warfield strawberries.

**GROUP THREE.**—From The Jewell Nursery Co., Lake City.  
Lot 1.—Two Concord grapes, 1 year.  
Lot 2.—Ten arborvitae, 4 to 6 inches.  
Lot 3.—Fifty seedling ash.  
Lot 4.—One Tartarian honeysuckle.  
Lot 5.—One American ivy.

**GROUP FOUR.**—From Echo Farm Nursery, Albert Lea.  
Lot 1.—Five Scotch pine, 3 years, transplanted.  
Lot 2.—Five Norway spruce, 4 years, transplanted.  
Lot 3.—Two Houghton gooseberries.  
Lot 4.—One sand cherry.  
Lot 5.—Ten Conovers Colossal asparagus.

**GROUP FIVE.**—From J. P. Andrew's Nursery, Faribault.  
Lot 1.—Six Turner raspberries.  
Lot 2.—Six Cuthbert raspberries.  
Lot 3.—Six Michels Early and six Crescent strawberries.  
Lot 4.—One Peerless apple root graft.  
Lot 5.—One Peerless apple tree, 1 year old, to be delivered in fall of 1894.

**GROUP SIX.**—From S. D. Richardson's Nursery, Winnebago City.  
Lot 1.—Six Marlboro raspberries.  
Lot 2.—One Syringa (Mock orange).  
Lot 3.—Fifty Green Ash seedlings.  
Lot 4.—One Hotchkiss apple tree, 1 year.  
Lot 5.—One Olinger's No. 8 apple tree, 1 year.

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The life membership fee is \$10.00, payable in two annual installments of \$5.00 each, if preferred. Life members are entitled to all the privileges of the society, including its publications, during life; and to a file of the back reports as complete as possible, some fifteen volumes, constituting an invaluable horticultural library.

Address communications and remittances to the Secretary,

A. W. LATHAM,  
207 Kasota Block, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Ass't Librarian, E. A. CUZNER,  
Essex and 27th Avenue S. E., Minneapolis.

Lake City April <sup>1/95</sup>

Dr W Latham

Minneapolis

Minn

Dear Sir

Your was received  
I have not copied that  
paper yet I have had so  
much to do making hot beds  
and the like and where  
I get my days work done  
I am so tired I look over  
the paper a few moments  
and then off to bed I have  
been thinking I should be  
compelled to buy by on account  
of a storm some day and  
then I could do it but no  
such good luck Sparrows  
are getting in their crops in  
great shape and some

are near done now as  
to those articles on rights  
I should very much like  
to do it if I could get the  
time I flatter my self that  
I am pretty well posted on  
the matter and think I  
could make it interesting  
but alas I realize that  
I am getting old I am near  
septy six years old and after  
putting in septen hours  
a day on an arcege of hard  
work I sometimes get tired  
and feel like taking a rest  
I am glad one bill was  
passed and suppose unless  
Mr Brant serves an injunction  
on the Governor or we will have  
a chance to quell the people  
out of their hard earnings again  
Geo. B. Hunt

Howard Baker Wright Co Albany  
Box 19      Albar 25<sup>th</sup> 1898  
Mr H. W. Latham

Per' enclosure by order for  
2 memberships in the Horticultural  
So. Vic. War. C. Shearman and  
George Latham Premiums  
wanted 7 25 10 for ~~Latham~~  
4 7 28 for Latham  
yours  
Wm C. Shearman

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A. W. LATHAM,

*Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,*

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

St. Anthony Park, Minn.  
Feb 4, 1895.

A. W. Latham Esq

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 1<sup>st</sup> inst.  
received. I must say that it gives  
me much pleasure to act as a  
member of the committee on Ornithology.  
Please send some of the Society writing  
paper, and oblige.  
Yours truly  
Wm J. Shaw

2293 Langford Ave.



State of Minnesota  
Department of State

St. Paul, 3/9/95 1895

Hon. A. H. Hatham  
Minneapolis

Dear Sir:

In reply to yours of the 16<sup>th</sup> inst  
allow me to say that in the event of  
a change in the printing law your  
work will receive the consideration  
it deserves at the hands of the  
Printing Commission as well as  
myself

Yours truly  
Geo. D. Stevens  
State Printer & Export

WORLD'S COLUMBIAN COMMISSION.

OFFICE OF THE

**Director-General of the Exposition.**

*Chicago, U. S. A.*

Feb. 21, 1894.



DEPARTMENT OF HORTICULTURE,  
J. M. SAMUELS, Chief

Mr. A. W. Lathan,

Secy Minn. State Hort. Society,

Minneapolis,

Dear Sir:-

Thanks for the report on your pomological exhibit. I have a photograph of your exhibit, but yours might be better. As yours was one of the most artistic installations that were made in the pomological division, I think I shall use it as an illustration in my report.

Respectfully,

*J. M. Samuels*

Chief, Department of Horticulture.

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Slap Corner

J.W. Langley  
2/29/54

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.,

DEC 11 1895

100  
A. W. Sutherland  
Deary -

Please send Magazine to W.H.  
Green Minnetonka Mills - and  
enrol me as a member of the  
Horticultural Society - I want a  
copy also of the annual proceedings -  
of the Society - I enclose you my  
ch. for \$1. If there is any further  
change let me know

Byron Sutherland

Wm Somerville  
11/12/94

Viola Minor  
Nov 12/94

Mr. Latham

Dear Sir:

I am not a  
kicker but think the premium  
list at last fair as gotten up  
was anything but fair: there  
was too much of a premium  
on seedlings and hybrids.

It spoils the exhibit with  
so many worthless crabs.

Reduce them so as not to  
exceed 10 varieties; that will  
bring out the best. Let them  
be exhibited in plate. I do  
not believe collection for seed-  
lings should receive premium  
at all unless they are worthy

of cultivation and from seeds  
actually planted. The seedlings  
generally exhibited are from old  
trees that have died and a <sup>great</sup> part  
from the root not knowing any  
thing at all of their parentage.

The most of the seedlings at  
the last fair were not worthy  
of cultivation. I would suggest  
premiums after this form and  
let professionals compete by  
themselves and the amateurs  
the same. 1<sup>st</sup> The best collection  
of apples that will bring out all  
the natives. 2<sup>nd</sup> The best winter  
varieties 3<sup>rd</sup> The best summer  
varieties 4<sup>th</sup> " " collection  
of new Russian 5<sup>th</sup> Best "  
of hybrids and crabs not to exceed  
10 varieties then a sweepstake  
on the best exhibit of the lot  
together.

### Seedlings

1<sup>st</sup> The best collection worthy of  
propagating 2<sup>nd</sup> The best winter  
varieties 3<sup>rd</sup> The best fall varieties  
then the plates.

This in my opinion would  
get out more fruit than any other  
way as the varieties would be by  
themselves and more will come.

I'd like the last fair Kiel  
could take 100 worthless varieties  
of crabs so there should be a limit.

As for plates I would suggest  
the following: Duchess of Oldenburg,  
Tetofsky, Healthy, Elgin's  
beauty, Peach, Yellow Anis  
Rollin's prolific, Pret #1, 2 & 3  
Kousk's Anis, Red Anis, Gilbert  
Autumn streaked, Mac Mahon -  
White, Russian Green, Hibernian,  
Libby, Soiree, Patten's greenings,  
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P.S.

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be more satisfactory and get out fully  
as much fruit. I will send you in  
a few days a paper on evergreens &  
forestry, also one on orchards.

W. S.

Bloomington Jan 7<sup>th</sup> 95.

Friend Latham

At the last moment  
things have so shaped themselves that  
I cannot be with you at the annual  
meeting. Enclosed find my paper on  
Melons. and 1<sup>00</sup> for membership fee. I will  
call at the office and get the bound volume  
of proceedings some day when I am in.

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Sessie H Sedfield ✓

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12<sup>th</sup>

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and oblige

Yours fraternally

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for her Premium

1 Buffalo berry  
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Shrub

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March 11<sup>th</sup> 1895

A. W. Latham, Sec. of Minn. Hort.  
Society. Dear Sir!

I received a copy of The Minn. Horticulturist some time ago, also a circular asking me to become a Member of your society. Enclosed find P.O. Money Order, for which you will please send The Horticulturist to my Address for this year commencing with the Jan. No. also last Years Report, and for Premiums.

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Money Creek Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> 95

A. W. Latham Please

let me know what is

the matter with the

to culvert is it dead

I have seen nothing  
of it since the Jan  
number weather has

the bound volume  
showed <sup>up</sup> maybe I am

over looked hoping to

hear from you soon

I remain Yours

W<sup>m</sup> Sandrock

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and me No 1, 4 + 7 for list of prun-  
as mark " on list (I have another list)  
Yours truly  
J M Spicer

SCHAIN, LUCKERT & CO.



A Lumber Yard in Connection.

Browns Valley, Minn. March 6, 1895

Mr A. W. Latham  
Munneapolis

Dear Sir

Would you be so kind and inform me where I could get a few Sacaline roots. I have ordered some seed but should also like some roots if could find any.

Yours Very Respectfully  
J. Schain

P.S.

What do you think of the plant you do not think its something like the Russian thistle?

Sank Rapids 3<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>  
194

Dear Mr Latham

Immediately on receipt of your <sup>first</sup> letter about an increased appropriation, I sent an urgent request to W L Neiman representative from this place, asking him to do all he could towards helping our Society to get the <sup>increased</sup> amount we are asking for.

I wrote you the next day to that effect. As Mr Neiman is at home on Sunday I shall go and see him to day about the matter, that may have more effect than the letter I wrote him

I have also written a letter to John G. Boobar Representative from St Cloud on the subject which I will post with this. When your letter came telling of the honor accorded me in appointing me Superintendent of Experiment Station here I was away from home and only came back yesterday.

I was very much surprised as ~~we~~ had only mentioned the matter to Prof. Green and then asked, not for myself, but Mr. Cross. However I am much gratified as I really think our place is better situated for such a purpose. We are on a hill which slopes

in all directions except North. There is about ~~some~~ level acres on the hill, then quite a number sloping down to a valley. It is about two hundred feet from the top of the hill down to the valley we have about fifteen acres in the valley the soil is sand in valley and clay on the hill. we have forty acres in all so you see we have room enough.

But we only have well water now. But for the expenses of my going to Washington for my boy who was shot, we should have put in a good wind mill this spring, but shall not be able to do so now. For some time I am afraid. Do you think Mr. Latham we can do justice to the plants sent us

without one. We have quite a large amount of fruit on our place now, and the only plants I have lost from the want of water was last year when I lost a thousand Strawberry plants which I planted on a southeast slope. I shall do the very best I can with any thing sent me in any case.

I will write to Prof. Green the first of next week about the Matter. Mr Latham if you have time would you write telling me what is expected of the Superintendent the duties and laws of such an Office and I would be greatly obliged to you. Also if this Epistle is very much mixed lay it to the Church Choir of fifteen young

people who are re-herding  
in the next room for to  
night. Mr Latham won't  
You please send me a  
list of the premiums for  
New Members. You don't  
know how hard it is to  
get a dollar from any out  
here without offering some  
extra inducements. Send  
as soon as possible, so I  
can start out on the war  
path before I begin my  
gardening. As I have  
used all of the paper and  
envelopes. You sent me  
I think if you sent me  
the same amount I had  
last year I could use  
it to good advantage

Very Truly Yours  
Jennie Taylor

Turn over

8 P M

Have just come back from  
seeing Mr Neiman.

He told me he would do  
all he could to help us.  
He said five hundred was  
a very small amount and  
wondered we had not  
asked for a thousand,  
when it was for so  
praiseworthy an object

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JOHN TOBIAS, Secretary.

Denver, Colorado, Feb 12, 1895.

How. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn.

Sent you copy of our last report.

If agreeable to you would like to exchange about  
ten copies. so each member of our board could  
have a copy

Respt. yours

John Tobias

Trysil N. Dak. Jan. 30-1895

A. W. Latham Esq.

Minneapolis. Minn.

Dear Sir:

As a Member of your Horticultural Society; I hereby will notify that by selection of your liberal offer for members I will take the opportunity to select the following viz: "Six Golden Queen Raspberries" to be sent to my Address by mail, in proper season.

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Very Respectfully  
Ole Strandwold.  
Trysil P.O. Box Co. N. Dakota

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YOURS VERRY TRULY,

E.J.SCOFIELD.

Mr Lathams, Please attend to the  
within, I will be in Warrington  
next week you.

W Pease

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Browns Valley, Minn. Feb 11<sup>th</sup>, 1895

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Minneapolis  
Gent<sup>l</sup>

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some back reports for distribution  
among riders if you have  
any to spare and will try to  
get some new members

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J. J. Schain



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St. Paul Feb. 3<sup>d</sup> 1895

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94 report of Horticultural Society  
Kind send report at once  
and oblige.

Very Respy  
W. N. Scarff

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please tear the pages from 93 report  
containing names of members and  
send 94 when out.

W. N. S.