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Minneapolis  
Minn.

Indiana Horticultural Soc. Y.

JAMES TROOP, Secretary

LAFAYETTE, IND.

1/12 '96

A. W. Latham,

Dear Sir:--

The reports were rec'd  
all right. Owing to the severe sickness  
of our former Secretary, our report  
will be delayed somewhat; but as  
soon as published I will send you  
same

Yours truly  
J. Troop



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West-Salem, Wis., June 16, '96

~~A. W. Latham,  
Secy Minn. Hort. Soc.~~

" I regret I cannot be at the gathering, June 19, but send my kindest greetings to all, and the following question."

Will any one tell me how to can asparagus successfully? It is done at factories, but, with the best of rubbers and other preparations, I fail; hence think some substance must be added, as in case of sweet corn.

Neighbors who tried it last year, recommended a new way of canning figfilant. My can-

is nearly three weeks old, and perfect so far.

Peel the pieplant, cut in half-inch pieces, pack in a cold can with a hammer handle, or some stick with a flat end. Set in a pail of cold water deep enough so the water will flow over <sup>the</sup> top of the can. Wait for the bubbles of air to come up through, or hasten them by running a tablespoon handle into can; remove <sup>the</sup> can from <sup>the</sup> water when the former seems quite free from bubbles, and screw <sup>the</sup> head on immediately. It is designed especially for pies, which, of course, will be like summer ones.

Respectfully yours,  
Ida E. Wilson

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Letter from  
Mrs. Wilson

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Minneapolis, Minn.

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Secretary Minn. Horticultural  
Society,-

Sir,- I have not seen  
any thing regarding the cultivation  
of Cranberries in any of the Horti-  
cultural papers or reports either in  
Wisconsin or Minnesota. I think  
it strange if it is not practiced.  
I am not posted as to what local-  
ities in these states the Cranberry  
grows wild. I should like to  
know in what places and under  
what conditions they are found;  
also as to whether the crop is  
often a failure either by late or  
early frosts. In my native state,  
Mass. they grew wild in marshes  
where hay was yearly cut, and often  
on a floating bog around deep  
ponds. Their cultivation on  
Cape Cod was effected by pitting

up ponds between sand hills, with the sand until the water would usually not stand over the vines. Then with but little other soil they set a small patch of vines about as far apart as corn hills. In a few years the vines would cover the whole space. My opinion is, that the Cranberry vine will thrive as well, and yield a better quality of fruit, if entirely out of water, and the soil quite sandy, provided there is sufficient moisture.

The notion has prevailed that a locality that can be flooded is necessary in order to prevent lake frosts when the vines are in blossom, and early frosts before the maturity of the fruit. As to this first event, is not the liability as great to the Strawberry crop? On the whole is not the Cranberry as sure as other small fruits?

I would like to know from those who have had experience in its cultivation, have any around our Twin Cities made use of the gravel knolls and small lakes and frog ponds, in this experiment? It looks to me as though

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a good enterprise for our Northwest  
might be undertaken in this line.  
Of course there would be some failures.

I have, connected with my small  
homestead, the raparian right of  
about thirty acres of the bed of a Lake  
now entirely dry. There is but little  
sand or gravel around the shore, where  
I intend to plow, pulverise and culti-  
vate to produce grass &c. I wish  
to experiment with what will make  
about a dozen hills. Can you tell  
me where I can get the seeds?

Can you refer me to any treatises  
on Cranberry culture?

Respectfully

Bird Island Minn. M. Fairer

Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> /96.

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207 Kacote Block,  
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MICHIGAN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE,  
HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Dear Sir:

Agricultural College, Mich. .... Apr. 28. 189.6

I am very glad to acknowledge the receipt of the copy of your magazine.

I shall always be glad to receive anything of the kind.

Very truly,

L. R. TAFT.

A. W. Lakland Esq,  
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Benson  
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419 Marshall Ave. St Paul Minn

Mar. 2d / 96

Editor Horticulturist.

do you  
want an article on the  
cultivation of Ginseng?  
I can give you a very full  
article which would divide  
well into two - about 3000  
words in length. This not  
only would treat thoroughly  
of the cultivation but  
would deal also with the  
commercial aspect of the  
ginseng business and  
would also give ~~an~~ a  
description of the plant  
so that anyone wishing to  
get the wild root for  
transplanting could  
recognize it. But some  
plants and seeds are to be  
had. The commercial line

could be omitted or shortened  
in treatment but the  
descriptive part, if given at  
all would of course need to  
be accurate and full.

Please let me know  
whether you wish for any  
thing of the kind and if you  
do show how long an article  
you would want, on  
which particular lines, and  
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. . . Financial Agent.

Dear Sir:-

SLAYTON, MINN.,  
Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> 1896.

Your favor of the 2<sup>nd</sup> announcing my appointment by Ex.  
Board of Minn. State Horticultural Society as member of Forestry Comm.  
is received. I accept the appointment and will do the best I can.

Yours truly

Alfred Terry

by

