



Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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E. H. S. Dartt

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To MINNESOTA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY, Dr.

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To ad 3 mos

2 25'

Am able to look after business

Send no Recd.

Received Payment,

Dartt



Send to the Secretary for folder describing the Society and its work and copy of its Magazine.

Minnesota

State Horticultural Society.

SECRETARY, A. W. LATHAM, 207 KASOTA BLDG., MINNEAPOLIS.

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Owatonna, Minn., Oct 10th 1901.

A W Latham

Dear Sir: I have had another paralytic stroke about the same as the other was out yesterday after a lay-off of about a week I did ^{not} send my exhibit to state fair because you had no time to look after it I have many promising seedlings of which the world knows not of have ^{some of} them packed for exhibit at your winter meeting I expected a visit from your seedling committee but I ^{when} remember that I have received little attention except when visitors come to criticise I should not be so much surprised Green and Bigget came up here to turn me out I thought it was as a punishment for daring to oppose your sanjose seal movement and of course was mad Now I know that the trouble all arose from our having a democratic governor Hon Charles S Grandall through ^{his} influence the state school was established here and who was also responsible for the establishment of the tree station was replaced by what I call a low lived Democrat Mr Grandall predicted when the change was made that I would get ousted Had I been of the resigning kind or had Col Biggett been a good democrat I would now be out you know politicians always find an excuse for being loyal to party

While I live I shall remain ~~loyal~~ ^{will} loyal to the horticulturists of Minn and keep right on doing my duty whether my labors are appreciated or not

Yours Truly

E. H. S. Dartt

If convenient allow Col Biggett and Prof Green to read this letter

Edina Mills

Min

Oct 2nd 1901

Received of A W Satham
\$3.⁰⁰/₁₀₀ for appls for the
State fair

Thos Delamater

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Owatonna, Minn., June 22^d 1901

A. W. Latham:

My proposed Horticultural visit proved a total failure, we invite called in in our relatives to enjoy our hospitality. You know or ought to know by this time that when I fail immediately form new plans that seem to promise success. I never fool away much time in studying up the cause of failure, ^{but pitch right in a new} I would not make myself unfit for the kingdom of heaven by looking back or become a bag of salt. My Plans are formed I need your assistance. At the next meeting of the Ex Comt please ask them to appoint a Comt of twelve to investigate the Owatonna tre station with instructions to come when they think ^{best} I suggest Aug 10th as apples will then be nearly full grown. Appoint one member of the comt to act as critic. Pick out the sharpest fellow you've got for this position and have ^{him} stay at least two ^{days} collecting data and later have ^{him} write up a full expose

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of Old Dartt and his works especially in
the line of Horticulture I fancy that though
you find in my make up much wind you
will also find evidence of a great amount
labor performed Nearly everybody in owatonna
admits that I have done more for the town
than any one else and they are coaxing me to
live
to be 100 yrs old At our recent ball game
there were many strangers from surrounding
towns and they frequently expressed the wish
that they had Dartts in their towns
When your critic reports you may wish
you had more Dartts to work in horticulture

Yours Cordially & truly

E. H. S. Dartt

If I can be informed when the Committee ^{will arrive} I will
see that it reaches as Dartt's Paradise instead of
landing in a Hellhole down town

Will you secure the appointment of this
Committee?

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A. W. L.:

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Your letter and plate rec'd I enclose postage you paid on the plate 12c Please get the other plates and send them as soon as you can. You will be glad to know that I am now greatly appreciated at home (except by two or three dirty democrats) The Journal will boom me and my park and they want to use my photo and some of the fine cuts. We are to have a great ball game here next Friday the 21st in my park Excursion trains will be run from every way I expect Mr Phillips and wife will visit me at that time and I am going to invite Patton Wedge and Lord to come I would like real well to have you and Elliot and and Green and ^{others} especially our President meet ~~here~~ with them here. My house is large enough (Plenty of floor room) but I could not entertain in a suitable manner more than those I have decided to invite. If you could look out

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for yourselves I would be awfully glad
to see you Please mention the matter to the oth-
ers see how they feel about it. It isnt likely you
will ever see me unless you come to Owatonna
If some other time will be better let me know
Perhaps your company could come later

Yours truly

E. H. S. Dartt

Come sure Dinner at 1 P. M.,
will send invitations to others Dartt

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The Pioneer

*A poem written by E H S Dartt Owatonna Minn
giving a vivid description of early pioneer life
and coming down to the present time with fine
portrait of the Author mailed for ten cents*

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Owatonna, Minn., July 7th 190

A W Leatham:

My Park ^{is} still booming and if you come up
here and even insinuate that Old Dartt isn't
all right you may get batted on the head with
a ball club for I have fitted what will be the finest
ball ground in the state

I would like to have my Add for the Pioneer
inserted in the Horticulturist Make The Pioneer
~~a little~~ conspicuous The remainder common
print Let me know what one insertion will
cost and how much it will cost to repeat. I don't
want something for nothing for nothing the park
What did the plates cost each for Park views
~~views~~ If after reading the Pioneer you can give
it a few words of commendation - a little puff I shall
be glad

Yours truly

give it one insertion any way

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A H S:

I will take the space you mention if not
too late. If it is your custom to call atten-
tion to new adds please follow the custom.
I intend to get out a new report for the winter
meeting and remembering the fate of
my last report I shall publish it myself.

Yours truly

E H S Dartt

At 75 per mo.

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Owatonna, Minn., July 18th 1901

A W B I would take the space but you know I am constantly imbibing new ideas - so with all great men If I can induce you to publish an extract from one of our papers The Chronicle it will be better for me and cheaper than a paid ad On acct of my prominence in horticultural and other circles I think you can introduce the matter in such a way that your readers will be interested and and pleased

Aint you glad that my Park is becoming noted On acct of my big brain good taste and executive ability my Park is competing successfully with other parks in the country that have cost a hundred times more money. When I played fool in one of the Iowa meetings Trigg said Dartt I believe you are the biggest fool in Min and I think now you ~~will~~ will say I am the biggest bragg in Min I am all the time studying out improvements Will add two other little poems and a park view to my leaflet yours truly E. H. S. Dartt

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Owatonna, Minn., July 21st, 1901

A. W. L.

The plates have arrived I have no notion
of paying for them cant afford it they are not
nice enough may not use but one of them

The reason I inquired the cost was that I think
getting three or four more made and thought
you could get as good work and as cheap as
anybody I will send you postage 26cts ^{paid by you} on plates
as soon as I have stamps to spare I think
I will write you a little squib on spray-
ing if I do dont keep it over till spraying
time but put it in while people are using
bad shaped apples When I decide which
are the finest photos that I can get I shall
send you three or four to get your finest
artist to put in his finest work on

Yours truly

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Am too busy to write about spraying will
mention it in my report Apples one tenth crop
am selling windfalls

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A W S

Dear friend:

Conditions are about the
same ^{we} watch the boy night and day to
prevent the completion of the job he under-
took to do you know the Darts are nat-
urally persistent which is all right when
their undertakings are laudable The boy
burned up his Life Membership Certificate
Can you furnish a duplicate?

Hope you can get The Duchess Orchard
in to your next issue so that top grafters
can begin work early Who else in Minn
ever invented things as beneficial to
horticulturists as my wheel cart tree girdler
and Wax warmer? Still they'd kick me out
of the superintendency of the tree station
to make room for an Agricultural Coll
Student Of course young blood must have
space to develop Are the central station
over

managers in a hurry to pronounce my
eulogy because I am ^{out} in the way they wont
have long to wait. I wont die as long as I
live

yours truly

E. H. Dartt

I have a great deal now to make one
feel blue. Please excuse me for allowing
my discontent to slop over and above
my expenses are now over \$100. per month
and money is slow in coming in My House
keeper a very pleasant lady who has been with
me for the last 18 months will leave a
week from next Monday I feel the necessity
of economising hence the change. You expressed
a willingness to help me and are no doubt
willing to listen to my tale of woe if that
will do me any good Possibly it may
I think now that I will not ~~thus~~ afflict you
in this way again and that I will not write
of personal matters unless I can take a more
cheerful view Prospects may be brighter
when the new housekeeper arrives Clouds
always have ^{been} succeeded by sunshine and as
in the past so in the future

yours

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A W. L.: I send the stamps have forgotten
exact amt. I send two views which please
have engraved for me Hope you can get the
work done ~~to be~~ very long soon

I think I will send you Tree Station Apples
at the State Fair How shall I
direct and when shall I send them to have
them be sure to get there Tell Green if con-
venient that though he has been at it twice
as long as I have I am going to try to beat him
in practical results I would like remarkably
well to see his exhibit of apples Hope it will not
be all on paper

Olivia Miner.

Aug 4th 1901

Mr Latham Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir

I delayed answering your letter owing to not receiving a premium list. But I sent to Mr Randall and got one, have looked it over and find instructions explicit. Although in former years I have raised fruit fit to exhibit yet I have always looked at it as a farmer having no chance against a professional fruit grower. But in this respect I have changed my mind and for the first

time make entries of fruit,
not with the object of securing premiums
only but to help on the cause of fruit-
growing in the north-west -

I have entered a collection of
hybrids & crabs 10 varieties or less

G. Class 57 - 58

also Hibernial Transcendent

Early Strawberry Whitney 2^d

I will send on a number to cold
storage this week I have sent
a few extra specimens so if
I dont get down to the fair
you can place the best specimens
I will send on Hibernial &
others later in time for exhibition

you can send me tags
for the shipping of my Hibiscus
and others

I have sent on 9 seedlings
and will send one more
with my last shipment
which seedling will be placed
with the other nine making
a collection of 10

Yours Truly
Henry Dunsmore

Mapleton
July 16th 1901

Mr A W Latham

Dear Sir your
letter was received a few days
ago and I put it up so carefully
that I could not find ^{it} when I want-
-ed to answer it. (This reminds me
that I am getting old and forgetful)
so now I will try to answer it
But cannot give the information
you ask for in full, but will say
that I will make an exhibit at
the state fair if nothing happens to
prevent. I think I will require about
100 plates. I could tell more exactly
if I had seen my orchard lately
but have not seen it since it blossom-
-ed shall go there in a few days and
stay till after the fair, then I could

No 2

give a more correct answer.
There are several persons here that
could make a good exhibit if
they would try. Apples are not
as plenty as they were last still
there are enough to make a good
display if they were gathered up
and brought to the fair

I will use my influence to have
them exhibit this fall, &c.

The weather is extremely hot here
now the thermometer stood at
100 in the shade yesterday.

Will tell you more in
the future as I have opportunity

Respectfully
Ditus Day

Mr. Latham

Hamington Minn,
Aug 12th 1901

Dear Sir,

I met to have answered your letter but have been so busy I have neglected it. I have sent a small Box of Fruit to Cold storage and for Winter meeting and am for the State Fair. I have been away 12 years and my orchard has been mis used, Pastured &c and hadly neglected so can not do what I ought to but can help a little. I could not live long if I could not raise any Fruit or at least I would be trying to raise some nothing interests me more

I have not received a Premium list yet
Would be glad to have one if convenient
Sincerely and respectfully yours
Alfred A. Day

William Donaldson & Co.

Minneapolis Oct 1 1901

Received of A. N. Ratham Secy,
 Eight 48/₁₀₀ Dollars

State fair acct.

William Donaldson & Co.
 per B

\$ 848

Edina Aug 19

C. W. Sathana

Dear Sir

We will
let you have the bu of Wolf
River & Okabena for the
Fair

I will bring the Okabena
in the next time I come
in

Yours Truly

Chas. Delamater

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Owatonna, Minn., Apr 7th 1901

Dear Emma is thanking
A. W. L. I have recd, one copy only
of Horticulturist containing park
views The one to Rollie came mine
did not If they are plenty with you
Please send four or five copies
If you have no more use for the cuts
send these with photos by express un-
paid. Our fellows here will be glad
to use them. I send my Photo Please
have cut made at my expense you
will want it after I am dead you
won't have long to wait though health
seems fair. My legs are no good other
wise I am O. K. to all appearance
Son Rollie is at the Asylum at Rochester
I have serious doubts about ever seeing
him again Most people go there to die
some times to be killed hope you are
getting your full share lifes enjoyments
I have a good housekeeper am getting
best of care Truly yours E H S Dartt

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Owatonna, Minn., May 15th 1901

A. W. S.:

Inclosed \$3.25 amt of Bill send per Ex-
press I am hustling in Tree Station and
park work lest lest well laid plans be
spoiled by death Thanks for your trouble

Yours truly

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SMILING FACES, HAPPY MEN,
CONTENT WITH THEIR CONDITION,
THESE ARE THOSE WHO WISELY MADE
THEIR HOMES IN DARTT'S ADDITION.

Owatonna, Minn., Feb 2^d 1901

A. W. S

I am glad that you are will-
-ing to take the trouble to have a lot
of extra copies of park views made
for me. I have been thinking that if
the Horticulturist containing views hap-
-pened to contain enough of my very interest
-ing papers to make it very Dartt it might
be best for me to invest enough to send a
copy to each of my extra good friends out-
-side of our society. Those inside would of course
get them. How would it do to get out a
sort of Dartt No. 1. In that case it should
be delayed perhaps till June or July in
order to gather the most valuable material.
Such a No. 1 I imagine might be very desir-
-able under certain conditions.

I am having a new ^{very} serious trouble
of which I do not wish to speak.

I cannot undertake to do anything

Yours truly

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Owatonna, Minn. Jan 7th 1901

A. W. S., I send you a lot photos to day with which to
embelish your Horticulturist I send enough so you
can have a chance ~~for~~ to take your choice you know
it is not natural for me to do things at halves especially
when I blow up the Secretary. And now I want you to
figure up just how much of the society's ^{money} you can invest
in displaying these things of beauty and then double
the dose I will pay one half the cost if I can have the
plates when you are through with them My first choice is
the one showing the girl sitting on the bank I always admired
girls and banks both those that border streams where girls sit
in the shade and those that contain vast sums of gold and
silver Next I would prefer ^{one} taken from the middle of the large
one showing the little Pavilion and the two arched foot brid-
ges in Park and Cemetery Published at Chicago I have seen
pictures grouped Perhaps you might have the Paradise
picture made quite large and distinct and some of the
others grouped on another leaf Before you use the cuts
I will send you a brief description of the Park with
future designs or intentions If you do not take Park & Cem-
-etry I think it better that you subscribe at once Perhaps
They will exchange try them. Truly yours E H S Dartt

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A W L

I suggested that you save my best
Articles and the pictures for one copy
of horticulturist making it very Dartt
I have changed my mind dont do it
that way but put everything in as it
comes and as will be most convenient
for you If you have a few extra cuts
made showing the pictures I shall be glad
A few extra copies of the Magazine
will answer the purpose

My Son Rollie has gone insane
~~He~~ He is not violent is very much as,
his mother was imagines, He has been
terribly bad, He is remarkably kind to
me which makes it seem all the worse
I have wondered if I could stand the
mental strain, Dont show sympathy
for kindness and sympathy always
beats me, I am strongest in a fight.

Yours truly E H S Dartt