



Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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O. C. GREGG SUPERINTENDENT.

Lynd, Minn., June 14, 1905.

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

Dear friend Latham:

I want to get another copy of Prof. Green's book on Vegetable Gardening. I do not know that it is due me, but send it anyway and let me know the conditions.

Very truly yours,

O. C. Gregg
Superintendent.

OCG.

Nora Springs
Feb 17. 1905

Frien Southam

It begins to appear that I am
being forgotten by my old Minn-
friends. A few days previous to your
state Hort. Meeting I receive a note
from you interrogating me as to being
with you at said meeting. Just then
were very busy preparing for winter
on the farm and I had called to write
some articles for our annual meetings
I have your note and another letter
containing some postal stamps put aside
for a day or two but up to date I have
not struck on to either. My memory is
getting so short that if I put any little
thing one side in an hour or more I often
forget where I put it. For some reason
I have not had your monthly report
for the last two months Jan & Feb. And
I have thought it about time that you
send out your book Report which would
give me much pleasure to look over
I have thought some of writing one
or two more articles if winter keeps us in
the house as it now appears as though it may
I expect two or three articles to appear this
week or next (over)

I have been urged to write for the Appleton Specialist published at Quincy Ill. You have likely read the article I wrote in their January No. I had thought perhaps there might be an opportunity to write up on one of two subjects that I ought to be posted on. One on Pruning and Training the Apple tree in the N. West. Are one on the subject of Top Grafting Over the N. West I have thought it might be possible for me to get the same work into your report and at the same time let it go into some leading journal or paper that circulates over the N. West. Perhaps you can tell me how I can get a hearing in the associated press. I see the honor of the cause I love so well has been placed in jeopardy by some of our noted writers who know little & care less for the cause they pretend to write for. Some persons care little so they shove their pockets full of Coones Ticks. It is not likely I shall at my age be able to write many more articles for the press. A year ago I thought I had written my last but have written more this winter than ever. My mother & three brothers went out like the going out of a candle I am quite likely to go the same way.

3.

I wrote you some months ago relating
as to how I could secure from one to
5 of your bound book reports that I could
devote to my near relatives I suggested
them to you that I have quite a number
of our Iowa State reports that I have little
use for and I thought perhaps you may
have calls for some of these and that in
this way we might exchange, your Book
report I refer to is the one having my
Photograph and Biography in either case
they can be sent as freight so far as I see
It hurts us that you beat us so far at the
Worlds Fair But it is but little wonder
to me I think you worked long and honest
and are justly entitled to the honors you
won. I have received notice that I am to have
sent me a Diploma and a Brons Meddell for
my exhibit at St Lewis All I sent I sent the
fall before. I feel confident now that had
I done half as much work through the last
season as I did the fall before I should
have won both a silver and a Gold meddell
but am too far along to follow in the track
of young men in their prime. I am hoping
to have in bearing a dozen or more very choise
kiners never fruited here this season I think
they came out all right last spring and I think
they will this With kind regards for you and your
I remain your friend
Edison Gaylord

How best shall we counter-act the many serious errors that keep coming to the front some of the oldest and most injurious to Orchardists over the N.W. are going the rounds of our Horticultural and Journal papers. One says set to an angle of 45° another Trim and Train Symmetrically. Another says set trees S. West & these teachings are all wrong over the N.W. There is a mathematical exactness in setting and training our apple trees in the N.W. that should not be overlooked. This too often marks the line between success and failure. I have special reasons to plainly show the why these statements are doing much harm. But if I write up these errors one set will say we all know this what makes him hash up these old things so often. While the other set will say well that man is Crazy.

I feel quite sure that I once heard
the father of your noted Washborns
preach in our old native town of
Warren Litchfield Co. Conn. I would
like to be sure as I often wish of the
old preacher that preached in our church
once when I was a lad I remember this well
he was to have preached in our little old
school house But as he was about to
commence the Deacons of the big Congregational
church came down there and got him to
go up and preach in the big church. This
must have been about 66 years ago
If you see either of these as I suppose you
often have or do And just a line speak to
them I think their father was from Maine
but drifted down through N. England
He was a round heavy built man & some
60-years old then If you prefer you can give
me the address of any of those you think would
reply if I should drop them a line E. Gaylord

Feb 8-1905

I went back to bed this morning and failed to get my communication for the train so I have thought to make amends by penciling another page or more. You may regret my neglect. But as is hoped you may have as much leisure about this season as any and yet for all I know this may be the most busy days with you in the whole year. I read with much pleasure the increasing Nos of your Socy. And notwithstanding this increase may lessen the anxiety on your part to urge me to take any part in your progressive work. I cheerfully submit I look in this way. Your own allegiance first of all to the great and progressive cause that you have been and are now its chief leader. All eyes are turned on you. You are looked upon as a field to search out new and advanced ideas. to read and listen to every thing and weigh them carefully and if thought worthy of notice to so present such to your anxious readers in such a light as will endure them to give such a reasonable time and trial. Some things appear strange to me. One is (if I am correct) we pay our State Hort. Socy - Twelve hundred dollars over

a year simply for his care in arranging
our Arts - for our Book Reports He attends
some of our branch meetings but what benefit
has he give by this. I may not be posted as
I should be but it appears to me you
have double the work and care that he has
and receive less than half what he does
Am I correct Aug yet your Society is steadily
increasing in Numbers and Influence
where as so far as I have been able to see
our Society has been and is on the wane
Our Society is virtually in the ruts and
held there mainly by a few Schomney
Nurserymen and tree dealers. I am quite
sure that our Schomney Nurserymen have
held back the progressive wheel horticulture
and have kept them in the ruts for the last
20 - years Am I wrong you say. Can you
explain how that I had such a time at
Dorrah last year to get my arts read there
If you have not read said article please do so
and then tell me why it should not have
been cheerfully read there You see I bore
to much on the necessity of a hardy root
hardy stem and fork. Urge the propriety of
top-grafting Also the importance of dealing
with honest Dealers These and other things
do not encourage the sale of worthless stock
We must insist in having an entire hardy root
stem and fork & then top work choice kind on such

Will you please answer Briefly
rather than not at all - J. S.

I am requested to write my views
on the Comparative value of
Grass Cultivation and Mulching
for our Orchards over the N. West

1) Name two or more of your best Orchards
in your State have kept their trees in grass

2) Do you know any who make it a
business to keep up cultivation?

I am much in favor of Grass and
Mulch if Plenty of Mulch is hardy

3) Have you found a new seedling Apple
you would prefer to the Wealthy?

4 Have you a surplus of your
Bound Book Reports containing my
Photograph and biography If so how
can I manage best to secure 12 or 3
copies Can they be exchanged for La. R.

5 The Number of your members ^{by Gallup} _{Jan}

6 The address of your most successful
Seedling propagator — — — —

7 - What opinion have you formed of
The Baltimore Apple Will it endure this

8 Has

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Address { 'Phone, Minneapolis.
Telegraph, Minneapolis.
Freight, Minn. Transfer.

May 5, 1905.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Kasota Block, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:-

As per your request of the 1st inst. We have sent
Fred Krinppel, Billings, Minn. premium No.10. Also two premiums to
Klauser at Litchfield.

Cordially yours,

SBG-D

Samuel B. Green

IN SENDING IN NAME OF NEW MEMBER PLEASE FILL OUT AND USE THE FOLLOWING FORM:

Waterville Minn April 26 1905

A. W. LATHAM, Sec'y Minnesota State Horticultural Society,

Dear Sir:

Please enter the name of

A. J. Wagner ✓ 1.00

Post-office Waterville Minn., as a new member of the society, for which I enclose \$1.00, the annual fee. Besides the Report and Magazine, you may send him Plant Premiums Nos. 5 + 6.

For my premium in securing this new member please send me the following book: Vegetable Gardening

Signed L. M. Fowler,

Postoffice Waterville Minn.

SEND TO THE SECRETARY FOR MORE OF THESE FORMS AS NEEDED.

Will You Send

one or more new members in 1905, and help bring the number up to 2,500 this year?

New Members Will Get

"Trees, Fruits and Flowers of Minnesota," cloth bound, 531 pages.

"Minnesota Horticulturist," 12 issues, 40 pages each.

Two Plant Premiums, his selection.

You Will Get

Valuable Horticultural Books for your library (see list of Premium books in society folder) and an increased interest in the society from helping to enlarge its field of usefulness.

Distribute the 1904 "Horticulturists"

and the society folders in getting new members.

Please Do Not Forget

That in accepting the volume, "Trees, Fruits and Flowers of Minnesota," for 1904 it is **with the understanding** that you are to distribute the "Minnesota Horticulturists" received the previous year. You have no need to retain them, as they will be found bound in with the volume referred to above.

This distribution is a **very important part** of the work each member can do in teaching "right horticulture" and incidentally increasing the strength of the society.

Any number of the "Society Folders" can be had of the Secretary.

UNIVERSAL EXPOSITION
ST. LOUIS, 1904
INTERNATIONAL JURY OF AWARDS

JOHN H. MCGLEBONS,
SECRETARY OF AWARDS

ST. LOUIS, U. S. A. April 17, 1905.

a later communication from

*Medals for World's Fair Fruit. - A letter from
John H. McGlebons, Secy of Awards, St. Louis, under
date of April 17th, says:*

Mr. A. W. Latham,

*Supt. Minnesota Fruit Exhibit, L. P. E.
Minneapolis, Minn.*

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of April 4th, you are advised that we are daily expecting the first installment of the Diplomas to arrive, and their distribution will commence as soon thereafter as the final work on them can be completed. On account of delay in the work of finishing the models, the Medals will not be issued for some time after the Diplomas. The distribution of the Diplomas and Medals will be made as expeditiously as possible.

We have not yet received from the Mint any information in regard to the weight or cost of a Medal in gold. Only the recipient of a Gold or Grand Prize Medal could procure a medal in gold.

Very truly yours,

John H. McGlebons
Secretary of Awards.

This is all the information you have on this subject. When anything more is learned about the matter it will be announced in the Secy's Corner.

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Entomology.

April 25, 1905.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Nesota Block, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Herewith I enclose you receipts for express paid on packages sent to the horticultural trial stations, total ~~\$11.~~ ²⁵

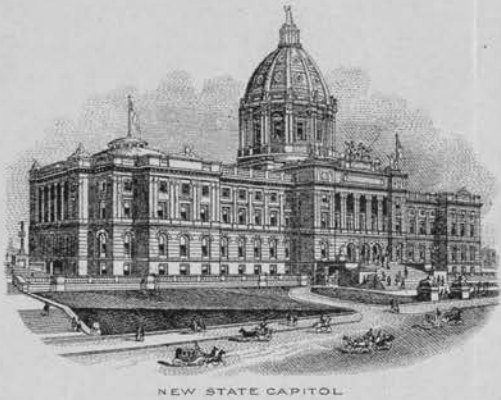
I would also like that check for \$50.00 that you promised me sometime ago.

Yours very truly,

SUG-D

Enc.

Samuel B. Green



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St Paul, Minn., March 10, 1905.

Hon. Clarence Wedge,
Albert Lea, Minn.

My dear Sir:

I know you will be pleased to have me write you concerning the success of the work done by Mr. Schutz. We have just received a letter from Hammond, written by Mr. Palmer, who has charge, and he writes as follows: "Mr. Schutz did very well. The audience cheered him in good shape when he was thru with his apple talk. He will make a very good man". Added to this, I was with him at Wabasha and heard him for the first time, and I was certainly very strongly impressed with the possibilities of his doing good horticultural work in the Institute field. So let this word be a word of encouragement both to you and Mr. S. I told Mr. Schutz that I was well pleased with his first efforts. He is far superior to Mr. Buggs.

Yours truly,

O. C. Gregg
Superintendent.

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April 19, 1905.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Kasota Block, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

The stock that we have sent to each station is twelve
(12) trees each, budded on *Pyrus baccata* as follows:

- 2 Charlamoff,
- 2 Wealthy,
- 2 Duchess,
- 3 Hibernial,
- 3 Patten's Greening.

Yours very truly,

SBG-D

Samuel B. Green

Missouri State Horticultural Society

Kansas City, Mo. 2/3, 1905

Dear Sir,

We are trying to secure the next meeting of the American Pomological Society here at Kansas City, as being a good central point which can be reached from all parts of the country and especially the west.

We wish you would write to President J.H.Hale of South Glastonbury, Conn. and to Prof. John Craig, Secy, at Ithaca, N.Y., urging them to come west with the next meeting and select Kansas City as the most convenient and accessible location in the west.

A strong invitation has been sent to them from our State Horticultural Society asking them to meet here next summer and we wish your hearty co-operation in this invitation to come out to Missouri.

L. A. Swadlow
Sec. Mo. State Hort. Society.

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YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA,
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-LATE HESPERIAN NURSERIES.-

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE 138-3.
LOCAL TELEPHONE Co., B-2.

Feb. 1. 1905.

A.W. Latnam,

YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA.

Kasota Blk,

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir :- I have yours of the 30 answering mine of the 26.
In regard to the advertising you did not mention having received the
electrotype. This occupies but 1-2 inch and I made the deduction that
at "regular rates it would be about \$3.

when you get the electro please tell me if I am right.

Very Truly Yours,

C. W. Gurney



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New Capitol Bldg., StPaul, Minn.,

Feb. 3, 1905.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

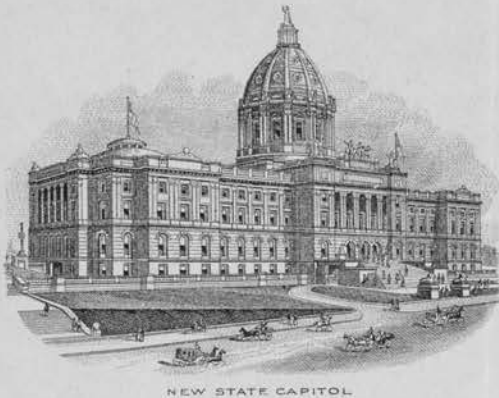
Dear friend Latham:

Your card received. Mr. Buggs is still with the Institute corps under charge of Prof. T. A. Hoverstad. I have just returned from that force where an Institute was held at Paynesville. Cold as the weather was on Thursday, the hall was filled full, farmers coming ten and twelve and even more miles.

Yours truly,

O. C. Gregg
Superintendent.

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Lynd, Lyon Co. Minn.

New Capitol Bldg., St Paul, Minn.,
Jan. 30, 1905.

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

Dear Sir and Friend:

I am in receipt of your letter dated Jan. 27th. We note with pleasure that Mr. Wm. Buggs is going good work in obtaining members for the Horticultural Society. He is enterprising and faithful in his work. It is yet to be demonstrated what he may be as an Institute speaker.

I will make inquiry as to those plates which you send to Mr. Penniman. Many thanks for your offer to assist us in any way that you can. I assure you that we will not only be in readiness to assist you personally, but also we desire to do our very best for the State Horticultural Society.

Yours truly,

O. C. Gregg

Superintendent.

OCG.

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Jan. 26. 1905.

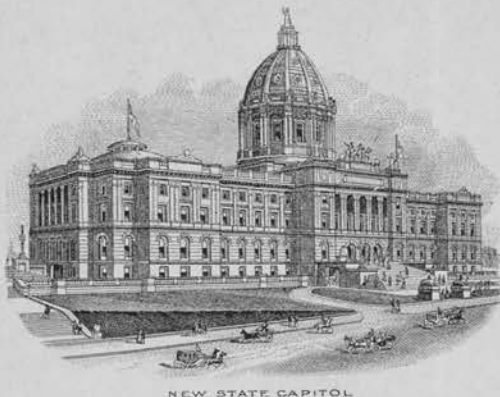
A.W.Latham,
Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir :- Referring to my letter of the 7. inst in which I did not "enclose \$1 for membershim" I now try to do so.

In regard to advertising space I wish to engage it for a year following any disposable space and send you by todays mail an electro which is to be inserted ar regular ~~at~~ rates. I understand this wiilnot exceed \$3 pr annum.

Very Truly Yours,

E. B. Gurney



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Lynd, Lyon Co. Minn.

New Capitol Bldg., St Paul, Minn.,

Jan. 16, 1905.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear friend Latham:

Yours of Jan. 4th is received. I think that your World's Fair plate is now at the Pioneer Press. We will see what we can do with it. We have been so far issuing Annual No. 16. No. 17 will soon be out.

I am gratified to learn of your pleasant meeting with Messrs. Yahnke, Buggs and Hoverstad. I was happy in being able to be at home on New Years Day. Mrs. Gregg is regaining her health. That at least is the indication at present, and I am feeling very hopeful about it.

I am very glad to learn that you obtained the first Annual No. 16 sent you. Now you have the second. If it burdens you give it to some one else. Please credit me one on the delinquent list. I judge from what you said to me from time to time about back numbers that you have got quite a debtor charge. Some day I may be able to balance the account in full.

Yours truly,

O. C. Gregg
Superintendent

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Jan. 9. 1905.

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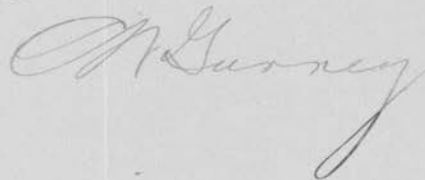
Kasota Block, Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir :- I have your favor of the 5. inst and enclose \$1 for
subscription for 1905.

I found the number of the Horticulturist that I wanted.

You ask me if I wish to reserve space for an ad, but do not tell me
your advertising rates. Please tell me the rate for a 2 inch ad also
for an inch, and I will then tell you what I wish

Very Truly Yours,



Lake Crystal Minn
Dec 20 1904

Mr. A. W. Satham Secy.
207 Kasota Block
Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir, Enclosed you will find receipt for ^{more} \$1.20[^] express which I was just required to pay on the last 3 boxes of fruit I sent to the Worlds Fair. This extra charge was made because the goods were delivered at the express station within the grounds. I trust you will collect and refund this amount.

I saw by a newspaper article that the apples I sent you were awarded a silver medal and I am glad

to hear it. If it would
be no inconvenience to you
I would be pleased to have
you send me some
accounts of Minnesota's
Agricultural + Horticultural
representation at the World's
Fair.

Send my mail to
Golden City.

Respy.

A. J. Goldenstar

P. S. I paid \$2.40 Express on
the last three boxes when I sent
them, and you sent me that
amount.

Garden City Minn
Dec. 31, '04.

Mrs A. W. Latham Secy.

207 Karota Block
Minneapolis

Minn

Dear Sir, I have received
your check for \$1.20 for
which accept my thanks.

I am glad that I have
been of some service to
the State in their exhibits
at the Worlds Fair and
will be glad to help
you again if I can
do so.

Yours Resp'y.

A. L. Goldenstar.