



Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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NE

Feb. 20th, 1905.

A. W. Latham Esq.,

207 Kasota Blk.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Yours of the 18th received. I have sent the bills you enclosed to Mr. Hays.

I think I understand what you wish with regard to the Premium List and will make it out accordingly. I thank you very much for your kind offers in regard to the Horticultural department at the State Fair, and I will write Redpath and see if he will take the work to do. The Board will expect me to take up the correspondence and oversee the work, but if at any time I am "up a stump" I will know who to look to for help.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood



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Aug. 10th, 1905.

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

Dear Friend:-

The outline of program for winter meeting is received and I should think that it was very good indeed. My first thought is that the Minnesota Orchard, being one of the most important ones, ought to come earlier in the sessions. You have it in the last part of the last day. Then too it looks as though the programs were more than full. I know your claim is that you want plenty of material for the Monthly, and if there is not time for all, their papers can be passed in without reading. My main thought is to call out new members and have short, spicy papers, five minutes long; and then sharp discussions, a good deal as a "run" of prayer meetings. As soon as one brother says Amen another breaks loose. The weather is too confounded hot to get up any "ruction" with you on the subject and so I am going to let you go at it to suit yourself. I think that the "free parliament" will prove a nice feature. By the way, accept my thanks for the morocco bound copy of the Report.

Elliot wants me to get 3,000 pins for cards. I presume you know where to get these pins and if you will be kind enough to order them, I will be much obliged, and if you cannot do this and can give me the name where to get them and send me a sample, I will order.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood
Superintendent.



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Aug. 11th, 1905.

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

Dear Friend:-

We need more tables at the building, as Mr. Elliot has doubtless told you; and we did think of covering the shelves and risers with mirrors, but in experimenting here, it seems to me that it does not do any good to put mirrors on the shelves, only for the risers. We are planning to build two of them 36 ft. long, 4 shelves on each side. I think that a 7 inch shelf with a 6 inch riser would be about right. Mr. Elliot is getting the glass of the Pittsburg folks and is to have the tables made. He wrote me that he was going out to the lake and would not be in until Monday morning. I would like the benefit of your judgment and if you can communicate with him, please do so. He told me to send him word when I would be at the building care of Loyal Saddlery Co. and I have written him there.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood, Supt.



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Aug. 26th, 1905.

A. W. Latham, Esq.,

207 Kasota Blk.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Friend Latham:-

Your favor of the 25th received. It is all right to keep the receipts for fruit from Cold Storage there and at the proper time I will get you to turn them over to Elliot or Tom and have the fruit ordered down to the building. Thanking you for your assistance, I am,

Cordially yours,

Superintendent.



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Aug. 30th, 1905.

A. W. Latham, Esq.,

207 Kasota Blk.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Your favor of the 27th at hand. I think without doubt that we can use the 10,000, if you think that the charge of \$25.00 will not be too much for the Society to pay for this object.

As to choice in color, let Miss White determine with regard to that, as you seem to have omitted the folder you mention. I expect to be at the Fair Grounds on Friday and Saturday of this week and will take steps to take care of the pamphlets, but do not have them delivered at the Women's building but at the Federation building, otherwise if sent to the Women's building they might get misplaced with the large quantity of stuff that is being taken in there and we might not be able to get hold of them.

Yours very cordially,



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Aug. 11th, 1905.

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

Dear Sir:-

Your postal of the 10th at hand and I judge by it that you did not understand my letter to you. You know in previous years the Woman's Auxiliary has been represented at the Woman's Federation building by having some circulars to distribute, and we would like to have this article by Miss Evans printed, as you printed those circulars to be distributed during fair week. It is certainly very good advertising for the Minnesota Horticultural Society, as we often have inquires with regard to this association and then it serves to stir up an interest among people generally with regard to what the Woman's Auxiliary is doing.

You know when talking over this matter with you and Miss White as to quantity, I suggested that we have four or five thousand, as I wanted to have copies mailed to all the Federated clubs in Minnesota, so that each member could have one. In order to do this it would take about seven thousand, and if we do this and have about three thousand for our building, it would take about ten thousand. Perhaps this would cost too much. Do not hesitate to say so if you think so, though if you add to the slip a write-up of the objects of the State Horticultural Society and what it is aiming to do for Minnesota and the Northwest, it would be as good advertisement as you could have. The State Federation has a standing committee on town and county improvement and they always make a great deal of this feature. The Thursday club of St. Paul has been doing valiant service along the line of horticulture by encouraging the setting out of many thousands of apple and plum trees the last two years in the city and vicinity of St. Paul, and judging by the interest manifested through its officers, they will soon rival the state Horticultural Society in their knowledge of and methods for furthering fruit culture in Minnesota. Kindly tell Miss White that the leading spirit in this movement of the Thursday club, Mrs. Wm. T. McMurrin, would in all probability furnish a good number for our Auxiliary program for our December meeting.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood,

Chairman State Fair Com.

Climax Minn Sep 4th

1905

Superior

A W Latham Esq.

I send you today
by express samples of my
Apples the varieties fruiting
with me this year, the
varieties being Charlamoff,
Healthy, Langfield, Whitney,
Virginia and Brerswats
and Cheney Plum, and
Compass Cherry Plum,
Yours Truly

Peter O. Vangen
Climax Minn

Mr A W Latham
Minneapolis Minn

Minnesota Minn
Sept 8 1905

Dear Sir: I am sending under separate cover a couple of photographs. I am sorry they did not turn out to be very good. The view of our house and grove is quite natural but the people are to far distant to be recognized I am standing on the right hand corner but I would not have known it should represent me had I not known I stood there I enclose a view of a young ditches tree but for some reason the fruit does not show plainly. If you look closely you will see that some of the apples are in the shade

I had an other view taken of a part of our orchard but they are not finished yet so they will not be ready in time for you. It is doubtful if you can use either view, but use your best judgement about that

Respectfully Yours
J L England



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Sept. 29th, 1905.

A. W. Latham, Esq.,

207 Kasota Blk.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

I remember Mr. Perkins was greatly disappointed that his fruit did not receive a better recognition. He certainly had a beautiful exhibit and if the Committee that judged it will make a definite recommendation for something special, I will see if I can get the Board to endorse it.

By the way, how much shall I pay you for your services as judge? I believe you did some of that work. Did you not? I was so nearly sick all week with a cold that I did not keep very good track of the judging. I have been almost sick with a cold ever since I got home. Am feeling better now.

In regard to "The side-hill orchard", I will be glad to give any information that I can but it seems as though I had talked so much about these things that people will be tired of hearing me.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood,

Supt.



THOS. F. VANASEK,

DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF

FARM MACHINERY,

Office and Warehouse on Grace St.,

NEW PRAGUE, MINN.

Sep 26-1905-

A. W. Latham Esq

Mrs.

Dear Sir, I send you to-day by mail few prunes and one plum which were grown in a garden in our City. I do not know if this will be of any news to you, you may have seen such fruit grown in abundance. It is claimed that these were grown for a fit, which was brought here from Bohemia Europe. Would be pleased to hear from you, after you examine this fruit.

Yours Truly
Thos F. Vanosek

Mr A W Latham
Minneapolis Minn

Minnesota Minn
May 22 1905

Dear Sir: Your favor of 16th inst at hand. Will see that you get some views for publication in connection with my paper. I will not be able to show as fine scenes as the veterans, but I will probably find some-thing of interest. Trees and plants of all kinds passed through the winter in fine shape and promise a large crop.

I am pleased to see that the society prospers. Interest in horticulture is certainly increasing rapidly. I do not think it will be more than ten or fifteen years til this section produce more apples and other hardy fruits than it will consume.

Wishing your continued success I remain

Yours Very Truly
J L England

P.S. Will get photos when trees get in full leaf or possibly in fruit



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July 19th, 1905.

A. W. Latham, Esq.,

207 Kasota Blk.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

This circular seems to cover all the features that occur to me and ought to give the Vice Presidents some ideas of how to make out a valuable and interesting report.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood

Mr A W Latham
Minneapolis Minn

Minnesota Minn
July 30 1905

Dear Sir: In regard to the photographs I promised
you. I had a view taken of our house with our
grove as a background but the photographer has been
sick lately so I have not got the photos yet
I intended to have an other view taken which would
include a part of the orchard, provided it will
make a creditable showing. I will probably
not be able to get them until the last of Aug-
or first of Sept as the fruit is not ready
yet Will write you as soon as I can see
how the plates finish up

Respectfully Yours
J L England

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Dell Rapids No. Da. 7/2-1905

R. F. D. #4

A. W. Latham

Dear Sir.

Please find inclosed 50c
for which send me a copy
of Green's Forestry in Minnesota

Yours Truly

Oliver Thompson

Sent

June 9: '03.



THE JEWELL NURSERY Co.,

LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA.



J. M. UNDERWOOD, PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER

TWIN CITY, TRI-STATE
AND NORTHWESTERN LINES

NE

January 31st, 1905.

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

Dear Friend:-

In regard to THE COMING PLUM, your recommendations with my corrections are as follows:--

Your Conditions

My Conditions

- | | |
|---|----------------------------------|
| 1. Color, red | Color, red or red and yellow |
| 2. Size, 1 3/4 in. in diameter | Size, average 1 3/4" in diameter |
| 3. Quality, sweet as Ocheda | O. K. |
| 4. Pulp, firm when ripe | O. K. |
| 5. Will peel easily when mature | |
| 6. Skin to disappear in cooking | |
| 7. Without astringency when cooked | |
| 8. Fruit not late in ripening | O. K. |
| 9. Tree an early, regular and annual bearer | O. K. |
| 10. Tree a good grower, hardy and productive. | O. K. |

No. 4, "Pulp, firm when ripe", I hesitate about making this condition for I doubt if you can ever get a plum that is as sweet as the Ocheda that has a firm flesh. All the firm fleshed plums I know are inclined to be dry like the Weaver.

Your No. 5, I think you will find it difficult to have a plum peel easily, unless it is a freestone.

No. 6, I doubt if you can have a skin so thin and tender that it will disappear in cooking and have it good for shipping and keeping.

Yours truly,

President.

Hardy Apples

*Our stock of apple trees for this season's shipment is the largest collection of the **STRICTLY HARDY** sorts in the country. Send for the "Jewell Apple Book" and also **SEE OUR SPECIAL BARGAINS** before ordering. They will save you money.*



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April 3rd, 1905.

A.W.Latham, Esq.,

207 Kasota Blk.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Friend Latham:-

I have been talking with our Representative, Mr. M.J.O'Laughlin, about our bills. I think he will do all he can to help and says to ask you to find him and explain the details, and as he is a good worker, I think he can do more than I could, even if it were possible for me to leave home at this time and go up there. We commence putting up our orders to-morrow morning and shall be very busy for the next three weeks.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood

F. B. VAN HOESEN, PRESIDENT
 C. H. RAITER, VICE PRESIDENT
 G. B. WARD, CASHIER

2995.

CAPITAL \$ 60,000.00

SURPLUS \$ 12,000.00

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
 OF ALEXANDRIA,

Alexandria, Minn. March, 29, 1905.

A. W. Latham, Esq., Sec'y.

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Answering yours of the 28th inst. I have to say that upon examination I find I have paid two membership fees for current year. When second one was demanded I thought I ~~had~~ remembered paying it but was not sure and therefore paid again.

Senator Ward is cashier of bank with which I am connected. When here last Saturday I had a talk with him with reference to the additional appropriation you want. He at that time favored giving it you and presume will do so.

Yours truly,

F. B. Van Hoesen

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

✓ 190

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

Dear Sir:

Please enter the name of *Adel's (E) Luber*

Post-office *La Crescent*, 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.

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

Signed

John Turnbull

Postoffice

La Crescent, 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.

Information in regards to it enclosed & sent

Blank to answer

La Crescent Feb 17th 1905

Membership listed 12.15.04

Mr A. W. Latham

Dear Sir & Friend

I would thank

you if you send me the bound
Vol Annual Report Minnesota
Stat Horticultural Society
for 1904, please send me 4 Patterns
greening apple roots grafts (5)
& Oblidge

Yours Respectful
John Turnbull

P.S. when i sent you \$100 for my
membership fees i enclosed a few
lines to Dr C. B. Laques
i enclosed postal order for 50 cents
for ^{my} yearly fees to the Beekeepers
association the post master here
informed me that order had never
been persented for pay^{ment} can you give me any

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FOR

THE WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS

THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE EXPOSITION

C. S. MITCHELL, SUPERINTENDENT

Lake City, Minn.

Dec. 20th, 1904.

NE

A. W. Latham, Esq.

207 Kasota Blk.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

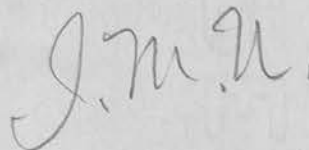
Dear Friend:-

If our Commission have had notice of any awards from the St. Louis Commission, I do not know it. Probably Mr. Hays could tell you.

You wrote about sending some boxes of Duchess to me as samples of packing and cold storage keeping. That is all right. I shall be glad to take note of it whether the fruit is good for anything or not. If there are any Wealthy that you and Elliot do not care for, give them to Mr. Hays.

Wishing you and Mrs. Latham a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, which I imagine you will easily have with your children and grand children around you, I am,

Cordially yours,



Vice-President.

P.S. What requirements would you stipulate in the proposed standard of a plum competing for the \$100.00 premium that Mr. L. Fletcher offers?

J. M. U.



THE SPACE ABOVE IS RESERVED FOR POSTMARKS.

POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

A. W. LATHAM,
Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,
207 Kasota Block,
Minneapolis, Minn

Withrow Mass

Dec 22

Mr Latham

Dear Sir

I have just received
your letter notifying
me of my election
of Vice president
of the Horticultural
Society and I will
accept and will do
what I can for its
interest -

Respectfully

W. J. Singley

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DR. P. A. JEWELL



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Dec. 22nd, 1904.

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

Dear Friend:--

Answering your favor of the 20th. I am favorable to sending Prof. Green to Washington as a delegate to the National Forestry Congress,—The expense not to exceed \$50.00. I believe our Horticultural Society ought to absorb the State Forestry Association as it was talked at the meeting of our Executive Committee.

Cordially yours,

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Form 335-5-16-04-15,000

The Jewell Nursery Company guarantees the buyer stock delivered in healthy living condition and, upon notification made before August 1st after purchase, will replace free such stock as may fail to grow. Stock reported after that date, within one year, replaced at half price. State Entomologist's certificate for freedom from pests and diseases.

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Dec. 23rd, 1904.

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

Dear Friend:-

If practical to do so I wish you would arrange to send E. A. Smith to Fargo to attend the meeting of the horticultural society, Jan. 5th, I think it is. That was his old home and it would be a first class appointment. Some other delegate may have been appointed. If this meets the approval of Pres. Wedge and the other members of the Executive Committee you can send him his credentials.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood

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January 7th, 1905.

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Dear Friend:-

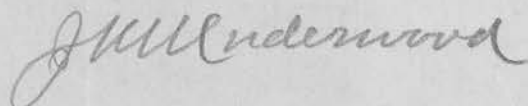
The bill of Mr. Higbie's I have O.K.-ed and sent on to Mr. Stevens.

The Fergus Falls scrap you mention was just a graft. That man Wellman, whom you perhaps know, or have heard about (the man who made a County Exhibit at the State Fair and confiscated from other exhibits to bolster up his and was turned down by our State Fair Board) gathered some grains and grasses for our St. Louis Commission with very damaging results to us.

Now next week there is going to be a lively time at the Agricultural meeting in electing new members. Better all turn out and do the best we can. I hope we can either arrange to let me get into the Agricultural department and someone else take up the police, or if I must still retain that department, that someone will be put in charge of Agriculture that will make it the finest exhibit on the grounds.

Have not seen anything of the Duchess apples.

Cordially yours,



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Dec. 7th, 1904.

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

Dear Friend:-

Replying to your favor of the 5th. Mrs. Underwood is sufficiently recovered from her cold so that I think I can put in an appearance at the meeting to-morrow, but please do not ask me to sing. I have had too strenuous a life the past year to follow up my music. Do not feel sure of my voice and haven't anything new. I am sorry that I can be of so little assistance to you but I have helped you to a better man in Mr. Smith. He is an accomplished musician and a man that you must make use of. I wish you had him in my place on the Board and when the right time comes, he will make you a splendid executive officer. He is quite a ready speaker, well educated, very prompt and energetic.

Sorry Mrs. Underwood cannot go up to take her place, but it is out of the question.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. M. Underwood".

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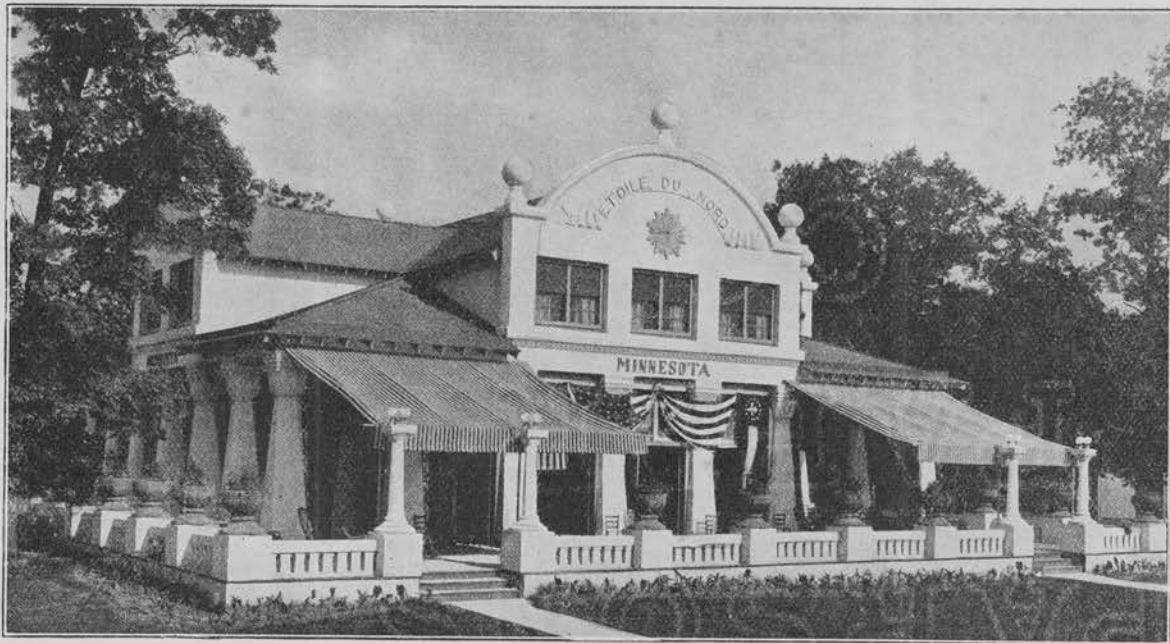
Dec 13, 1904

Mr A W Satham

Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir: I have the Horticulturist, for the years of 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, and 1904. Please send me as many back numbers as possible.

Yours Truly J. L. Feigland



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ST. LOUIS, MO.

12-2-4

A. W. Latham

Dear Friend

Your notice of meeting of ex Corin found
me here. Also y'rs to Mrs U- requesting
her to respond to a toast.

I am here to close up our work, at least
to arrange for the disposition of our exhibits
Mrs U- has taken a severe cold and is
bed- where she will have to remain for
several days & we will not be back in
time for the opening of our meeting &
she may not be able to attend at all
So do not depend on her at the banquet

We have given this building to the State
Fair Board. It will be re-erected on
the Fair Grounds. Also the Fish &
Game Exhibit. Education goes to the
State Educational Board. Mining to U.S
Geological Survey (Dept of Interior)

Cordially Yrs
J. M. Underwood



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A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.,

Minneapolis, Minn. Nov. 17, 1904.

Prof. L. R. Taft,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

I hope it may not be considered out of place for me to address you in the matter of awards to the individual exhibitors in connection with the Minnesota Fruit Exhibit. I had hoped to be in St. Louis at this time to confer with you personally in regard to this ^{but} circumstances have interfered with my coming, and so I have requested Mr. Redpath, my assistant in charge there to hand this letter to you and bring away any personal communication that you may wish to make, although of course I should be much pleased to hear from you directly in reply.

There have been a large number of contributors to the Minnesota Fruit Exhibit at the World's Fair now about closing. Some of these unfortunately have not sent very good fruit or it has come poorly packed and we don't feel that there is any special obligation in their cases, but with the others it is different, and a good many have sent very nice fruit having taken a great deal of pains to select and carefully pack it, and naturally we feel much interested that the efforts of these contributors should be recognized in some formal way; and of course there is no better way than by an award of some kind of a medal to be made by the World's Fair authorities. Not having been at the fair myself, although in charge of the exhibit, I am not familiar with the methods that are being employed in connection with the distribution of awards, but I am sure it is your wish to recognize all worthy exhibitors in some suitable way and it has occurred to me that suggestions from us in this connection might be pertinent. I suppose there is no expense to the World's Fair in connection with the making of such awards as probably the medals if ever claimed will have to be paid for by the recipient, although as to this point also I am not well informed. If a list of those who have made contributions of valuable fruit to our department, which can be made up with much accurateness would be of any use to you as supplementary to any notes that have been taken by the judges, we should be very glad indeed to furnish it and do any right thing in our power to secure a liberal distribution of such awards to our worthy contributors. What I have written here ^{as a whole} of course has nothing to do with the awards to the state exhibit ^{as to} which we feel sure that we shall receive right treatment, although of course we would like to take "everything in sight" that being, as you know, the spirit which animates the denizens of the gopher state.

We are looking also for some form of recognition for services rendered in connection with the exhibit that we can send to all the contributors good, bad and indifferent. We have thought of getting up a certificate to use for this purpose, but it may be that there is some form of certificate issued by the World's Fair management that would be better for this purpose than anything we should get up here at home. If there is any such thing if you would kindly let me know about it, I should take it as a favor.

With best regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely,



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A. W. LATHAM,

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

207 Kasota Block,

Minneapolis, Minn.

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Have been laid up for
a week & impossible to
tell ^{now} whether I can come
up at all - R Underwood
Sage City - Minn

West Brook Minn
Nov 30 - 1904

A. W. Latham Secy

Dear Sir

I very much
regret not being able to attend
the Annual Banquet of the
Society. I hope to be able
to continue a Member as long
as I live. And I herewith
enclose \$1.00 for my member-
-ship fee for the coming
year.

Yours Respt.

Mrs A L Talcott
West-Brook

Minn

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ST. LOUIS, 1904

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Address reply to the
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PAUL BROWN,
CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE

ST. LOUIS, U. S. A. Nov. 26, 1904.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec'y,
Minn. State Hort. Society,
Minneapolis, Minn.

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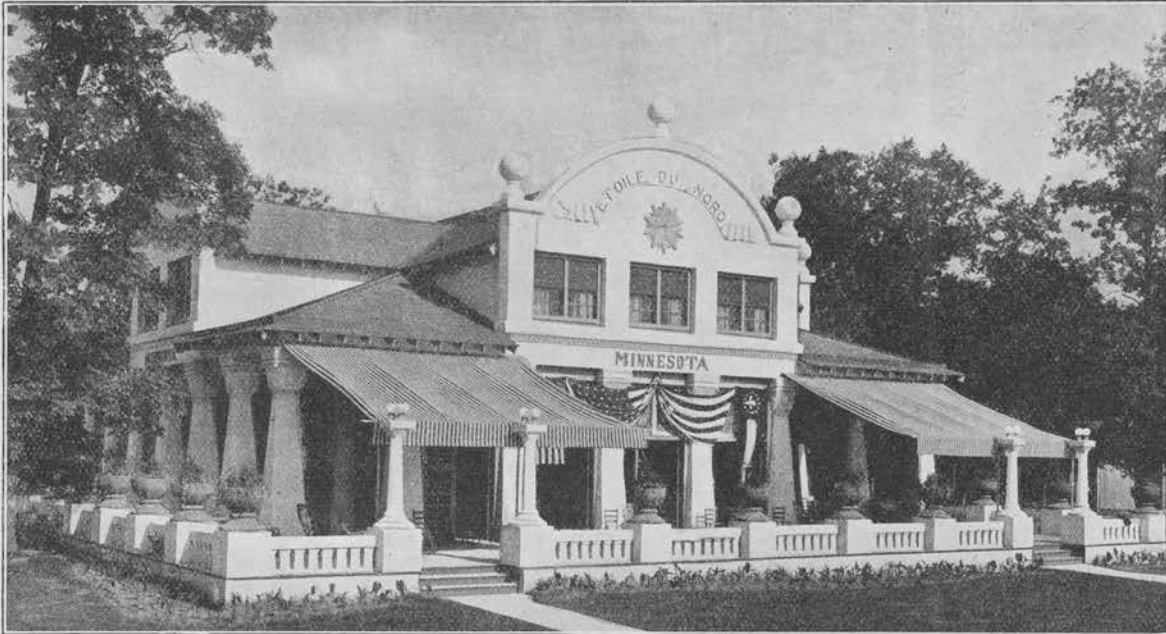
In reply to your favor of Nov. 17 handed me by Mr. Redpath, I will say that the exhibits of fruit from Minnesota were all properly entered in the name of the growers each of whom will receive a diploma and medal except in a few cases where, owing to the small size of the exhibit, no award was made.

Bronze medals will be furnished without charge but if silver or gold medals are desired, the cost of the metal must be paid by the recipient. Those to whom gold and silver medals have been awarded will receive medals of bronze of a distinct form, each of which will be stamped as silver or gold, as well as a certificate of award.

Yours very truly,

L. R. Taft

Chairman, Horticulture Jury.



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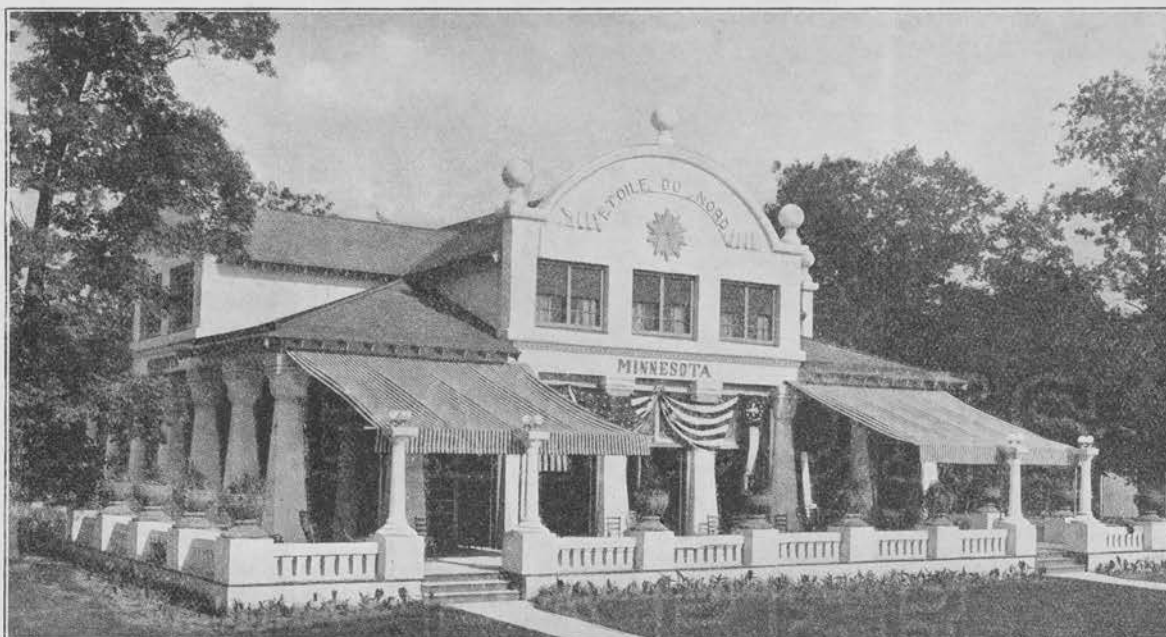
Dear Friend:-

Your several communications are received. I think, of course, that anything we can do to secure recognition by the department officers down there, should certainly be done.

I am going to the Fair Grounds this morning and hope to settle matters regarding the salvage and then in a day or two Anna and I will go down there to stay until the close of the Fair. I enclose you bill of the Company for fruit, express, etc., which if you find correct, you can O.K. and let it take its usual course.

Cordially yours,

Vice-President.



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Lake City, Minn.

ST. LOUIS, MO. Nov. 7th, 1904.

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

Dear Friend:

I can see no objection to using the plates as souvenirs if they are worth it and suitable, or certificates could be given as you suggest. I am in hopes that when the election is over the other members of the Commission will be able to co-operate with me and decide this matter as well as a whole lot of others that need attention.

I wish you would write me Bully with regard to the exhibit, as to what you think we can do with it. I am trying to get our State Agricultural Society to take all of our exhibits off of our hands. Have our carpenter at the Fair Grounds, Mr. Sandberg, go down there and hire some help, pack everything into cars and ship to the Fair Grounds, throwing away everything that is not worth bringing back. Is there any lumber in our Horticultural Exhibit that would be worth tearing down, taking nails out and returning. The booth is such an odd shape that I don't see how it could be used to advantage unless re-modeled. I shall appreciate any suggestions that you can think of.

Yes, the weather is grand and we have made good use of it. We are just about ready to let it freeze up. Have put 250,000 apple trees into our cold storage.

Cordially yours,

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Copy *Minneapolis, Minn.* Nov. 14, 1904.

J. M. Underwood,
Lake City, Minn.

Dear Friend:

Your favor of the 11th reached me Saturday morning but too late to make any change in the program which went to press the evening before. It was held as long as it could be and get it out in time. I should liked to have made the change you suggested in accordance with your wish, but I believe it is all right as it is. It has been my practice to put some of the best material of the meeting into the first and last sessions, the first session so as to bring members there at the opening of the meeting and the last session in order to hold them to the end, and this plan has succeeded admirably. I think the attendance at the first session last year was as large as any session of the meeting and at the last session, Friday afternoon until the very last of the session the attendance was all that could be desired. The best part of the attending members was there. By the best part, I mean the most interested and most thoughtful and that afternoon session was a splendid one. Following out my idea I have reserved for Friday afternoon two of our strongest papers by Prof. Robertson and Mr. Smith. The session opening at 3:30 Smith's paper will come on by 2:30 at the latest and there will plenty of time for its discussion as the three following papers will be short. The last one I already have in my hands and it will not be read unless the writer should happen to be present.

I regret that you could not have exactly commended this program as it would give me great pleasure to have had you do so. Mr. Elliot returned the proof I sent him with this notation, "This is the best program we have ever had." Mr. Wedge looked it over when he was here and said it was all right and that there were not more papers than he could get through with. The only material change made in it since then was in cutting out some eight papers which I did by corresponding with the writers.

You will remember back some years when you and I pulled together as the working officers of the horticultural society that for a time we used to get up programs containing a comparatively small number of topics and that at your suggestion we made a change in this increasing the number to 10 or 12 in a single session. They were to be five minute papers however. This practice was kept up for some years while you were president and as far as I know there was no fault found as to not having sufficient time for discussion. After using this program for a number of years it seemed best to change it for a while, but the practice we had got into of having a good many topics for a single meeting seems to be one that is hard for me to change from.

I have of course given the matter of getting up this program a good deal of thought and in every way I am trying to do what seems to me best for the horticultural society as far as lies in my power. From your acquaintance with me you know that what ever I do I do try to do them.

I am still thinking of going to St. Louis tomorrow night although

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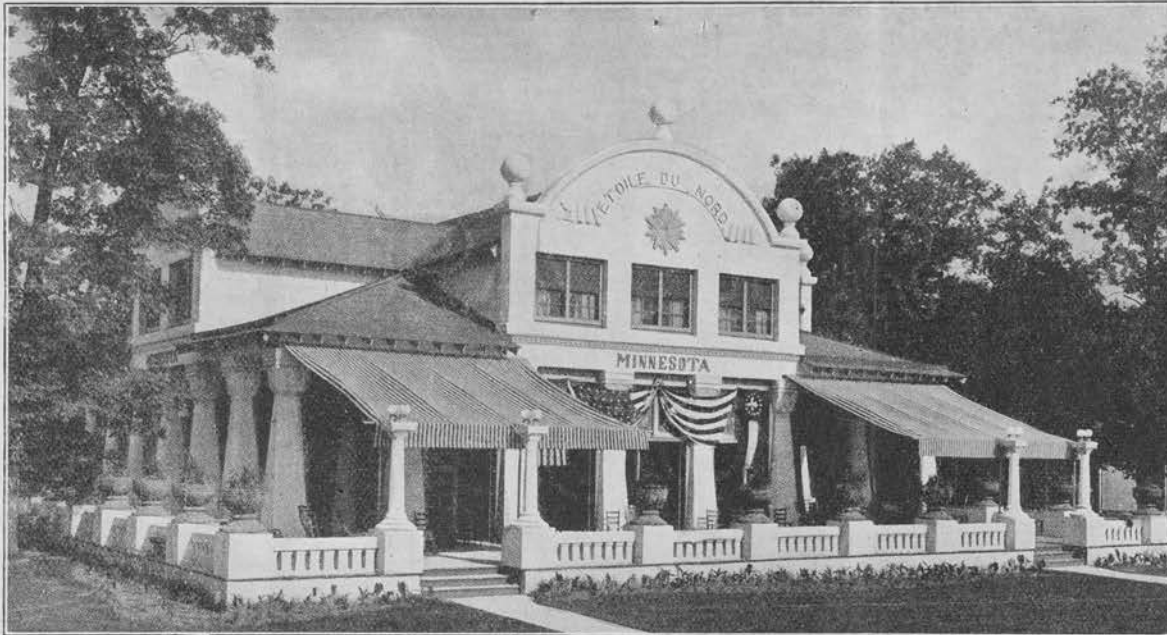
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it is by no means decided that I shall. If I do I shall write you tomorrow afternoon so that if I can be of any use to you there during the two or three days of my stay I shall be glad to serve you.

As ever,

Your sincere friend,



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Lake City, Minn., Nov. 11th, 1904.
St. Louis, Mo.

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

Dear Friend:-

Your favors of the 9th and 10th received, together with the World's Fair bills. I have O.K.-ed them and sent them to Stevens.

I will write Mr. Howard and arrange with him according to your suggestion.

I note what you say regarding the booth and will act accordingly, reserving the items that you speak of for yourself and Tom.

The proof of the program duly received. It is certainly a weighty one, - enough for two weeks session. The subject for the last afternoon being one of the most important I wish it could be placed earlier on the session, as the last half day is liable to find some of the interesting ones absent. It is probably too late to do any kicking now, and, as that seems to be my chronic condition, I refrain from further comment, especially as the state election has left me with a sore head.

Cordially yours,

Vice-President.