



Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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Evergreen Farm

W. A. Palmer, Proprietor.



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Hettingland, S. Dak., Jan 11.....1906

A W Latham secy Minn. Horticultural Soc
Dear sir I inclose 15 cents for postage
on Plant Premiums
Nos 9 and 10 Pyrus Baccata
and Apple seedling to be sent in the
spring.
Truly W A Palmer
Hettingland
S Dak

I am writing a book, different from any I ever saw. It will give many scenes in a busy life of fifty years. Its central thought will be kindness. Its object to preserve the memory of a wonderful woman and the history of a remarkable cow. Where I write hangs the enlarged picture of a soldier brother decorated by mistletoe and holly sent by my son to his mother on Christmas 1905, from Arkansas, only a short distance from where the brother lost his life 44 years ago, by a Rebel bullet. What a change time has wrought. Interviews with and experiences of noted Dairymen and Horticulturalists with whom I have been acquainted will be given. Visits with Mrs. H. E. Foster, Hoard, Beech, Goodrich, Yahnke, Jewell, Kent Rietbrock, Harvey, Hughes, Cashman, Lord, Sagendorph, Forest Henry, Chas. L. Hill, Nichols, Underwood, I J Clapp and Hiram Smith will be described. The preface describing this book is ready, and will be sent to any one sending a two cent stamp to the undersigned. It will contain about 150 pictures of cattle and breeders, and will be a book of three hundred to three hundred and fifty pages.

===== **A. J. PHILIPS,** =====

West Salem, Wis., Jan 11 1906

Mr A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn

Dear Friend Latham

Thanks for your kind offer to care for me one night. My plan now is to reach your city about 3 P.M. go direct to Owens office stay there till past 4 or 5 then come to your office if you want to go home earlier than that. When you can phone me at Owens, and I will come sooner Tuesday I go about 10 to college then will come back soon after dinner and hold a reception at your office. I want you to study my preface over then you will be prepared to criticize it when I come. but I am bound to make it win. If I live. I think you can send some of these out to your friends.

Yours very truly

A. J. Philips

Pioneer Nursery, New Ulm, Minn.

Wm. PFAENDER, Jr., Proprietor.

Grower of Fruit and Ornamental Trees and Shrubs.

Large Stock of Evergreens.

Grower of Plum and Crab Apple Seedlings.

Address: Wm. PFAENDER, Jr.

New Ulm Minn., 1/10 1906

A. W. Latham Esq
Mpls

Dear Sir!

Yours of Jun 6th at hand.
Yes I can use 500 to 750 folders
to good advantage & will be glad to
send them out with my ads & catalogs.
I note what you say regarding giving the
Minn. Horticulturist as premium & will try &
procure some members this way. -

Very Resp

Wm Pfaender, Jr.

P.S. The Soc makes a big mistake to keep
the Aitkin Plum on the list for trial at all -
it is poor all around & should not be grown.

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

Collis Jan. 6 1906

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

Dear Sir:

Please enter the name of *John Almar*

Post-office *Collis R. A.*, 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. *Vol second*

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

Signed *P. Greens Amateur Fruit growing*
Geo. R. Peterson

Postoffice *Collis*

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.

O. M. PETERSON.

H. P. OLSTAD.

Albert Lea Nursery Company,

GROWERS OF A GENERAL LINE OF
HARDY NURSERY STOCK.
ONE MILE EAST OF P. O.

SALESMEN
WANTED.

ALBERT LEA, MINN.

JAN 6 1906

Mr. A. W. Latham,
207 Kasota Blk.

Mpls, Minn.

Dear Sir:- Herewith please find \$1.⁰⁰

for Membership in Hort. Society for 1906.

Please send me 300 Fruit list folders
and oblige, Yours truly,

O. M. Peterson,

Albert Lea,

Minn.

Sent 1.9.06

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and Other Apples

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Charles City, Iowa, Jan. 3rd. 06.

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

Dear Sir:--

Yours of the 11th. at hand with bill for advertising, should not this bill be \$4.50 instead of \$6.00 for 1905.

We wish to place an add with you for Feb. and March. which will cover about the width of your cover by two to three inches in Depth can you give us the top position on the back cover, outside or the same on inside back cover, and what will be the price, please let us know at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

C. G. PATTEN & SON,

PER

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West Salem, Wis., Dec 30 1905

Mr A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn

Dear Friend Latham

No I do not think it was the
Germ that was no three, the Germ was Brown^o apple &
it came in last on Wednesday morning. No three is a
seedling I grew from seed of Scotts winter which I re-
sembled but it is with me a much better tree and
the apple I like better & it keeps full as well. Mr
Brown will be disappointed as the Judges put it in
the Early winter and Brown entered it for the 1000 prize
I was at Browns last winter Feb 15 and it was keeping
well and was scored the highest at our meeting in quality
I gave Mr Elliott a Plate of that and a Plate of
my shock to keep and test in April. Wedge was much
pleased last year with the no 3. We are having a
union to day of 3 sons & daughters 2 sons in law & daughters
in law & 3 grand children and I notice a nice plate
of that seedling on the table and there are plenty of
Malindas in the cellar. Now I expect to attend the
growers convention in Jan at Fargo, and talk on
Pioneer Horticulture and breeding Dairy Cows &
over

now think I will spend the 16th in Manchester & will call on you and if Elliott wants ^{to} meet me at your office we will talk in ones. I will be there a.m. and perhaps go over to the school P.M. and to Fargo in evening. I will go to ^{see} O'Brien Monday afternoon and stay with some one Monday night or at the Wendome. You will be surprised no doubt that I have entered the literary world, but such is the fact I will send or bring some of my prefaces for you to read and send to your bosom friends if you want to when you see and read my preface you will know more about it. It is to be specially a Farmers Book of Facts not Fictions

adieu till I see you or hear from you.

Yours very truly
A. J. Phillips

Constitution of The

PLANT BREEDERS AUXILIARY OF THE MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Adopted Dec. 12, 1905

By the Following Charter Members.

A. B. Underwood

A. B. Lathen

Cyrus Elliott

Prof. Samuel E. Green

A. B. Andrews

Frank Yehske

Clarence Hedge

Article 1--Name--This society shall be known as the "Plant Breeders Auxiliary of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society".

Article 2--Object--The object of this society shall be to encourage the origination of new horticultural plants adapted to Minnesota. A book shall be prepared and maintained by the society in which to register new fruits, trees and plants, that have shown by preference their worthiness to be so registered.

Article 3--Membership--Any member of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, who is engaged in originating new varieties of trees or plants, may become a member upon application to the secretary of this Society. ^{when being no membership fee} Membership to terminate with that of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, and the occupation above stated.

Article 4--Officers--The officers shall consist of a President and Secretary, holding office one year, and elected annually during the winter meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

Article 5--Meetings--The society shall hold two regular meetings, annually, to be called by the President at the time of the meetings of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society.

Article 7--Quorum--Ten members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the society.

Article 8--Amendments--Amendments to the constitution may be enacted by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting at any annual winter meeting.



P. H. PERRY,

PROPRIETOR

LAKE VIEW NURSERY

and

FRUIT FARMS.

Excelsior, Minn., Dec 16 1905

A. W. Latham
 My dear Mr

Dear Sir

Mr Lyman last Saturday
 informed me you had instructed
 him to hold up my money
 but he did not explain your
 reason for so doing, so I am
 entirely in the dark as to what
 the trouble could be. For I am
 sure I did not do a single thing
 in connection with my exhibit
 but what was shortly correct
 and laid down in your rules
 I shall be absent from home for coming week
 but will be in the city on business
 early in January. It will try to take
 time to see you. Yours Truly,
 P. H. Perry



MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.
DEC
10:30 AM
1905

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STUBBS & HUTCHINSON
DEC
1905
R.P.O.



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

Hatchinson Minn.

Dec 3 1905

Mr. A. W. Latham

Thinking
you may not have heard
of the death of Mrs. A. A.
Kennedy, I send you the
Hatchinson Leader, which
contains all I know of
her sickness. Hoping
she will be remembered
at Memorial Hour as
one of the most earnest
and enthusiastic mem-
bers of the Minn. Horti-
cultural Soc. Yours Respectfully

Mrs. W. W. Penbergast



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President, CLARENCE WEDGE, Albert Lea.

Office (and Library) of

A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.,

Minneapolis, Minn. Dec. 14, 1905.

A. J. Phillips,

West Salem, Wis.

Dear friend: In looking over the list of awards on seedling apples, I find that a premium was awarded to you on an early winter seedling apple which you designated as No. 2. Is this any one of the seedlings that you received awards on last year? The awards made last year were ^{on} for Eureka, Maas, early winter apple, and Appleton, Moran, Shook, and Zettle for late winter seedling. Please give me this information as soon as convenient as it has some bearing on our matters, not, however, affecting your proportion of the premiums offered by your society, of which you are getting this year a liberal allowance.

Have you got your balance yet since returning home? I am so busy in the office that I hardly know where I stand.

Very cordially,

A. W. Latham, Secy

Dec 16. Just returned to day & found the above here. I went home with Yahukie & spent Sunday then went to the Grand Darymans Convention at Mauckato. Stopped & spent one night at Dover with Forest Henry spent Friday P.M. with Lord who was glad to see me & hear about meeting spent Friday night with Yahukie & he killed his fattened calf to receive & feed me. had a good time all around now I cant tell about the apples. I could not find out which of any were awarded Premiums I did not show Eureka Moran or Zettle and I do not know which strain labelled as no 2. If I had known while there that I recd any thing I would have looked it up the appleton or scotts winter seedling I put in late winter ^{over}

as it keeps with yahrke but the com changed that
& the Gen which was 4 or 5 over to Early winter Mr Brown
made application to Enter the Gen for the 1000 Prem as it
keeps with the Malinda But you com put it with Early
winter which cuts it out at once for the 1000 Prem. It
is of excellent quality in Feb. I thought they passed the
shook Entirely on ac of size but I gave Elliott 4 of them
to keep & test in April or May & report further, they said my
Scotts winter seedling (which Mr Wedge thinks should be named &
put on list for trial) had been kept in the cellar with cabbage
& onions - and we have neither in our cellar. I call it a
very promising tree & fruit so does Mr Wedge. I thought they
passed mine as I took no wood which I never have
done since I know of a man cutting Duchess & Hibernial
wood to show with his seedlings. Wood cuts no figure unless
the Judges go to see the tree which they should do
before they decide to put a tree on list for trial. Mr Elliott
only reported on the three first prizes that I heard - so
I thought mine were passed - found a letter here on
my return from Waldron asking me to come to
their meeting in Jan'y & talk on Plover Horticulture as
long as I wish to for Expenses I declined unless
they could pay me for my time in which case I would
give a valuable talk on breeding Dairy cows from actual ex-
perience having spent the best of my life at these 2 branches
of Farming. if I am only worth Expenses I had better quit or
stay at home. the only meetings I will go now for Expenses
are your & our state meetings and at my age I can not
expect to go there much oftener - and my only reward will be
that I hope to be remembered by a few at least

Regards to Friends cordially
A. J. Philips

Red Wing Dec. 15-26

Friend Seatham

Dear Sir

I received your letter to day
and will say in reply that
neither of the No's have taken
a prize at our meetings. No
how just a few last year and
the other has been shown
several times but did not
get any premium Professor
Green says it was off in
flavour. I had a couple nursery
men here to see my orchard
this week they seemed anxious
to get No 42 to graft from but
I declined letting them have it
We are having very fine weather here
and I suppose you are in the city
We are all well yours truly

T. B. Lukens



P. H. PERRY,
PROPRIETOR
LAKE VIEW NURSERY
and
FRUIT FARMS.

Excelsior, Minn., Dec 18th 1905

A. W. Latham &
Trpls - Dear Sir
Yours at hand
with enclosure as stated
Thanks -

Yours Truly

P. H. Perry

Dalmenon Has Nov 11 05

Most Noble Friend Lathrop
Thanks for yrs which I match
with stamped envelope to G. H. Kellogg
Lathrop tells Has to answer you.
He must know or can easily find
out all about the Goulds Crabs which
may have come while I lived South-
America I am sure to say it had I
known nothing about it.

I imagine that you are alive to the
great fundamental question of finding or
evolving from Nature's workshop store
of seed combinations the very hardest
& best of everything for us in the Cold
North - For this heavy other good seed
I pray you always abundant
Yours most sincerely
G. H. Pomeroy

3
3 day of Indian Discovery

Dumont. Jan. 11-05

✓ *100*

A. W. Latham

Enclose \$1.00 subscrip
for the Horticulturist
and if in Term for
One Beta grapevine
if to Leaf for grapevine
Sand

3 Burning Bush

2 Russian Olive

adrs Geo. R. Peterson

Dumont

Traverse, Co

Minn

ant

Alliot
P. S.

I. thos note Laick to
sein Balh to anything
but will simply
Call your Atension
to the Packs, Laist
Spring I receive the
same Plants Name abo
but only One Leaved
and I. Tink it is a
Lotse of Boder to
Reise and Shipe those
Plants and have them
to Dei for the wonts
of a Few Words of
Instruxion, Laist
Spring been Plants are
I vass zader Byssi, and
for this Reason I made
myself believe that those

Hardy Plants fresh from
the Experiment Station
woul freely stand ours
climat, I inserte The
Rots in mould and Plante
ind fein Lounn and kovere
Plants Lengthly wick
a few Leafs, but the
kold weghts and mould
on ther feet, kille my
Plants, To Leit i Lounn,
that, Plants from the
Experiment Station, need
as godt a bar, as any oer
Plants of similar Sai's,
a few Word of Caution
in the Horticulturist
woul have seve my
Plants, and Posibely
a Tossing similar Plants
Lait myer, and i tink
reigtheat Leas the Trouble

for saa litle Progres
in Ornamenting The Farm
Instruction Lait This

- 1) Plants whick fine Hardy Rots
Shul bed Plante in Sifte
Lounn
- 2) Small Plants boy well
receede Trug Winter or
Early Spring, Plante in
Boxes of Sifte Lounne
and store in a Sellar
untill Growt Startes
and Plante in the Garden
at Cornplanting Tefim

Mr Latham thout for a
minunt tink that I will
Inturde on yours Bissnes
I only viss The Farmers
mait suxside whick ther
Plants G. R. Peterson



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A W Latham
207 Gasater Block
Minneapolis
Minn

Duluth Nov 16th

Friend Lothrop I shall try
and come down to the meeting of
the Society if possible.

Yr truly
Wm Lindebergast.



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A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.,

Minneapolis, Minn. Nov. 9. 1905

F. K. Phoenix,

Delavan, Wis.

Dear Sir: Can you tell me anything about the Gould crab, disseminated by Mr. Gould, a nurseryman ^{now dead, who} lived at Beaver Dam, Wis? I don't know whether he originated the crab or not. Mr. S. H. Kenney, of Waterville, Minn., has some trees of that variety, which he thinks came from this Mr. Gould, that have proved to be a very successful stock to top-graft certain varieties on. Mr. Kenney put a number of scions of the Missing Link on the Gould's crab, ^{All} and these have of the trees of this variety which he had in his orchard, as well as all other scions of the same kind topgrafted on a number of other hardy varieties winterkilled. Those on the Gould crab came through the winter perfectly sound and have borne this year a fine crop of fruit.

If you can give me any information in regard to this ~~Gould~~ variety I shall be greatly obliged.

Yours fraternally,

A. W. Latham, Secy

Dear Mr Latham

Nov 24.

The enclosed letter was found to me to answer
" I set 2 of the Gould Crab sent out by Ingraham
Gould of Beaver Dam some 30 or 35 years ago one tree is
still alive but of no especial merit as a fruit I never
tried it for a stock for the working - have not seen your
programme yet but I take it for granted that you
will have a meeting whether the printers strike or not for
Horticulturists though their main ambition is to beat each
other in doing good & getting premiums - they never strike tho
many times they work for very low wages.

" I think Mr. Gould originated the variety - He &
his son are now both dead, I have some old records
in which I may find out more about it and will
tell you at the meeting

Yours very truly
A. J. Phillips

Friend Lathrop

Sept 9 1885

As to the growing *Spharagnum*
business I wanted to say -

1 With me the seedless kind of plants
is ~~much~~ the most productive and
feasible,

2 Do other growers find it so?

3 If the seedless *Spharagnum* is the best
kind to grow how can planters best get
all seedless plants to set out? I
suggest the division of timber & exposed
seedless stools as the quickest & surest
way I know of. The only other plan is
to dig up seed-bearing plants & fill the
gaps with common untested seed-
lings which might prove to be the very
same unprofitable seed-bearing kind.

If there was a demand for seedless
plants nurserymen would gladly furnish
them of course at a higher price in
proportion to their increased cost & value.

G. K. Thoreau

Red Wing Nov. 29 1908

Mr Loatham

Dear Sir

Presd. to day some entry blanks
for me to fill out I will
postpone that till I get there
they may not be worth
of any notice I will bring
five or six samples so you
need not expect much from
me this time. I am feeling well
as usual have had to work
pretty hard for me this fall
but am none the worse for
it. Hoping to see you soon

Yours truly

O D Perkins

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Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Friend, your

letter that was misssent asking me to bring
or send fruit to your meeting is recieve and I
greatly appreciate your kindness, but do not
think it best to exhibit my new fruits
until I can show them in a normal condi-
tion. You have a magnificent prog-
ram, and I should greatly enjoy listening to
its presentation, but shall have to forego
the pleasure this year. I see you are to have
Dakota & Nebraska with you again and they
are good helpers. Hope Mr. Elliott will come out
O.K. I am growing younger every year. With
warm greetings to the Minnesota Horticultural
Society, and with kindest personal regards for yourself,
I am, Truly Yours, C. G. Patten

V M 50

Duluth Dec 1/

A W Latham Jr

Dear Friend

It is on all days
 that there is among a slip between
 out slip, It will perer so with me this
 some time ago I caught a severe cold
 and it affected my back some; but I
 thought it would be over before I should
 want to come down, but it is not
 any thing yet. But this storm has
 made every thing so icy; that I do
 not think it would be prudent for me to try
 and come down now. I am sorry
 to miss the meeting, but will get
 the reports in the magazine. Enclosed I send you
 draft for \$3.00 for my renewal, also for
 Dr Bowman & Dr Bowler.

Your truly
 O W Lathrop
 432 1/2 Duluth St

Chatfield, Minn

Dec 6 1905

A. W. Latham, Secy

Dear Sir,

I am sorry
I could not be present at our
annual meeting. I send my
report by this mail. Postage
used 66¢.

Sincerely yours

R. Parkhill



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T. E. Perkins,

Red Wing, Minn.

Dear friend: I notice among the seedling apples upon which
our late
you took awards at ~~an late~~ meeting your Nos. 108 and 32. Will you
kindly inform me whether you have ever taken premiums on either of these
varieties at a meeting of our society before this? This information is
important for us to have and will have no bearing on your receiving the
allotted proportion of the cash premiums offered for seedling apples
at this meeting. You were fortunate in securing the three highest
prizes on late winter seedlings and one other, also, one premium on
early winter seedlings being next to the highest there.

Kindly give me the information asked for promptly and greatly oblige,

Your sincere friend,

Casper



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✓ 100
Amboy Dec 2-05

A W Loatham

Secty ex Minneapolis Minn

Dear sir I regret very much my inability to attend the annual meeting but circumstances beyond my control prevents it - Enclosed find a short report from this station - find enclosed one dollar membership fee for next year

Under a separate cover I send an apple for a name Please ask Prof Green - J S Phillips - & others from Wisconsin to give me the name The tree came from Warface Co Wis several years ago - but no name, it is a good bearer of beautiful even size - long keeping apples - & should be more universally planted Please let me know at your leisure their decision
Yours truly J S Parks

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A. W. Satham

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir and Friend,
Your very kindly letter of the 16th inst. is
received with many thanks for your appreci-
ative words. I have just put up an exhibit
for our Fed. Fair meeting, where I shall not
enter for premium, my apples are so strong this year
that I am unable to make any fair showing, what I
have, but hope it will be better by considerable
than at Kansas City. Had they been up to a fair
standard I should have liked to have sent them to your
meeting. Will hope to do so another year. It is really quite
remarkable - the number of promising apples that I have.
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How is Mr. Elliott, I learned that he
got some what hurt on the trip South
I hope he is fully recovered.

Snow here last night but fine
this a.m. I am always glad to
be at your meetings, and hope my son
may attend if I do not.

Cordially yours

C. G. Patten

Yes, thank you, the appreciation
of those who know you is worth a
great deal.

C. G. P.



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A. W. LATHAM,

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

207 Kasota Block,

Minneapolis, Minn

St. Anthony Park Mine

Oct. 20, 1905.

Mr. A. W. Latham,
Mpls, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

It gives me pleasure to accept
your invitation to write a short article
on "experience in cross-pollination of the potato"
for the coming meeting of the State Hort. Soc.

Yours truly,

Wm. A. Peterson.

A. J. Philips,

Lectures at Farmers Institutes and Horticultural meetings on Northern Seedling fruits brought out since 1860 in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Illinois, am or have been personally acquainted with GIDEON, LYMAN, JEWELL, SPRINGER, DANIELS, FREEBORN, LORD, YAHNKE, PENNING, PATTEN, PLUMB, LOUDON, WHITNEY, PERKINS and twenty other growers, can give a short sketch of each, and have seen and can give a description of their trees which is useful and interesting to all especially young planters.

West Salem, Wis.,

Sep 30

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Dear Friend

Your letter of yesterday need to deny on my return from the La Crosse Fair when I made a show of fruit & spent the week where I was much disappointed in not meeting Friend Yahnke & wife who were there on Thursday P.M. My anxiety to see the artillery parade by the regular from Fort Snelling took me into the Grand stand so I missed my Aina Friends - and I would have preferred to have missed seeing the Parade - I can not spend time to tell you what I desire to say but am in hopes in Dec. to have time to unburden my soul to you. you say you are not sure. but I am that no answer ever reached me to my June 16. letter - and I over looked the non appearance of my note of the Dudleys winter because in looking in your corner for it I ran across the one from Prof Hanson - which was to the point & from higher authority than mine - & I had about for gotten that incident - by the way a doz nice plates of that apple were exhibited at La Crosse this week so I was not at the St Louis Kansas City meeting I did not expect to be. as at present Mr Marshall - over

is a more important factor in our Society than any Philips that ever lived. To him Dr Looper owes his last Election and any appointment he wants he can have. To him & Prof Sandsten Mr Crane field owes his Election and at present he ^{marshalls} manipulates the affairs of our Society, this is an open secret. he is well qualified for any place and can be our next President if he so desires. he is a gentlemanly appearing man with abundant means at his disposal and a desire to be noticed. he does not need to use any second rate articles of food or drink. without any doubt in all respects he represented our Society better than I could. am very glad that you and Green came home sober - as I have always banked on your sobriety. Since a drunkard was appointed by some of our Society and sanctioned by others who like an occasional drink of something stronger than Butter milk) to take charge of our Exhibit at St Louis - I am feeling the necessity of finding sober men to take charge of our affairs. I hope also - and I have no doubts of it that Bro Elliott will return sober too - although Prohibition Kansas had the only wine show I saw at the Omaha Exposition, you ask how is my crop. It is fairly good. about 600 Bu - a tenants girls do the picking and bring them to town. & I pack and ship them. Buy a few too, they mix things some but I dont scold. I notice Duches Hibernial Okabena Gilbert and north star all come in same Barrels. so I have an inkling how it will be when my work for all these years falls into other hands. who will probably dig out the trees and wonder what fool planted them - I am intending to sell when a favorable opportunity presents it self. a man a friend said to me the other day Philips dont sell that farm. If you let that go - where you have taken so much interest you will not live two years. So you see if a buyer comes. my days are numbered. I have tender recollections of that desolate looking Hill when I so foolishly located. I raised many fine Hens there that sold from \$2.00 to 3.00 each I raised 3 cows there that I sold for \$200.00 cash. one cows Picture is enlarged & hangs in my

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West Salem, Wis.,

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rooms beside Ex Gov Rusk^d (who employed me two years at Washington looking up new apples) and Ex Gov Howard to whom I am indebted to much of my success in securing a man from Minn exhibited a very fine Plate of new apples at La Crosse - none of us including Frank Hams could name them. It may be a seedling - all he knows of them was that he got the trees or cions from Father Harris. I secured two - & may go & see the tree & get strength for a Plate at your Dec meeting. By the way that is the only outing I am planning to take this winter unless wife & I go to Cal. I went to your meeting then to Demoines then to West Union, then to Spring Valley then to Rushford then to North Dakota then to Waupaca then to Lake Mills, then to Winter meeting Madison then wound up by spending 4 days pleasantly at South Dak. College. all last winter so I don't expect to be sent any where this winter and am not anxious as I am getting old enough to stay at home 72. about the meeting. I read a paper at Spring Valley - subject. How I accounted for the great growth and success of your state Society it was well recd. I kept it because they did not pay my RR fare, and I thought I might want to read it

again. Wedge did not hear it, but I read it
to him in private he only suggested one change &
he was right. I gave the credit largely to the sterling
character of the men who organized & carried it on
It took about 12 minutes to read it & it could be cut
to 10. Still as you suggest a short talk on the results
of top grafting at the meeting - Then a Toast - The Past &
the Present - near the close of Banquet - speaking in a complimentary
way of those that have left us, & work in a little fun with
those that are left might please the crowd. But when I
think of it they have had so much of my nonsense at
these Banquets, perhaps a change & keep still might please
them more, at any rate if I keep well and come
I will endeavor to do your bidding. yes you may
engage a Room and if anything should occur to pre-
vent my coming I will notify them in time so they
can let it to another. I have found a fine Duchess
seedling Green has seen it. Men of normal R sent
it to him, will bring some. several of our fruit men
have promised to come this winter to your meeting, well
dont throw this aside and say it is a Gaylord -
production. because it is the only time I have bored
you this summer, I wish things were otherwise some times.
then again I dont, I wish that one of my sons,
would take up & go on with my work, but it is a lone
some place, no american society, & no place to take an american
wife. My oldest son went to Vermont last month & brought
back a nice green mountain wife, he is getting \$900. per year
making butter 3 miles from the farm. the second is getting \$1200.
per year & all expenses. the manager of a RR construction Company
the 3rd one is practicing dentistry in La Crosse, doing well & the
4th the Baby 22, went to Chicago last night to go into the
mail service both Daughters married well to do Farmers & are happy

Philip
A
kind regards to Family & friends