

St Anthony Poch

August. 2. 1907.

Mr. A. W. Latham

Dear Sir.

The Minnesota Rose Society  
held its annual flower show in  
the Mayors Reception room, July  
13. 1907 in the Court House Minneapolis  
which was a grand success  
Those winning prizes were —  
over



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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yours Truly

Mrs F. H. Gibbs

Sciy Minn Rose Co.

Amoka Minn Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 1907

A. W. Latham.

Dear Sir

Your letter a July 30<sup>th</sup> is at hand. I had about given up hearing from my seedling strawberries. For I expected they were in bad shape when they reached you. My son took them to the train and the last he saw of them they went flying across the Express car, and landed up side down. No 1 is the dark berry you speak of and for quality is the best of any I have. I was disappointed not to be able to show them at our Summer meeting, but they were on low ground and about four days too late. I test my seedlings in matted row and hills along with the varieties I grow for market and give them the same care, and if they dont show up as well as the standards I discard them. One of the kinds I sent you No 7 yielded at the rate of 12.200 qts

per acre, in matted row matted most too thick for best results, but it lacks quality.

I have some promising new seedlings and I will try and have several seedlings both plants and fruit at our next summer meeting. I have none of the fruit eaned that is none for show for my 8000 qts per acre strawberry crop kept me too busy to play with my pets.

As to giving my experience in growing my seedlings at our winter meeting, I would rather show them at the summer meeting and then if you think they are worthy of notice I will give my method and experience and do the best I can for the welfare of Horticulture.

Yours very truly

H. G. Groat.

P.S.

If you want a short paper on seedling strawberries for winter meeting I will give it H. G. G.

Anoka Minn. July 8<sup>th</sup> 1907

Mr A. W. Latham.

Dear Sir & Friend

I wish you to see and try four of my most promising seedling strawberries I had these four seedlings entered for our summer meeting July 2<sup>nd</sup> but they were not ripe, and I want the opinion of some practical Horticulturist.

They grew in matted rows the same <sup>care</sup> were given them as the rest of my berries grown for market.

yours very truly

H. G. Crook.

Melbourne Beach Florida,  
May 4, 1907.

Dear Latham: I had two  
photos of my place put up  
to send to my friend Gray  
at Prescott, but have changed  
their outside direction to you  
and am sending them by  
express today, prepaid.

They are for you to keep,  
if you care for them, after  
the engraver has used them.

And now will you please  
either go & see your Museum  
of Engraving personally  
& leave the order for  
the half tone to be done  
according to instructions

2  
of the two Rosen Roycroft  
letters and my remarks  
written on their face,  
and ask them to strike  
off 100 copies for me  
from the half tone &  
mail or express them  
to me here. or phone them  
to come & see you about it.

The half tone, you will  
see, is to be sent by  
the engraver, with all  
the instructions, direct  
to the Roycroft shop.

Now, Latham, kindly  
pull this business, till  
everything is understood  
& ready for a good  
job.

The longest photo is the  
one for the half tone.

Wm. W. Roycroft  
Plainville

1520

Melbourne Beach, Florida,  
June 3, 1907.

Friend Latham: Yours of the  
29th ult. rec'd today. Tomorrow  
morning I expect to go over  
to Melbourne, get a draft-  
for the very reasonable bill  
of \$5.20 + mail it to you  
with this.

Thank you very much for  
your attention to this matter  
of the engraving

You mention the cold weather  
& late spring or rather no spring  
in the North & asks "What shall  
the harvest be?"

No man knows, in any kind  
of a spring, what the harvest is  
going to be, nor when or in  
what shape, wheat, chaff or

2/  
Omnit; we scissiles shall be  
gathered in, or whether there  
will be anything left of us worth  
sowing when the great reaper  
reaches for us; but it is nothing  
to worry about. The best we  
can do about it is to  
give our crops & ourselves  
the best tillth we can, and  
then say with the wise old  
pagan of the streets of Rome,  
"Whatever may be the will of  
Zeus concerning what should  
happen to me I am of the same  
mind", or, <sup>as</sup> in the song of the  
Bantam rooster I was listening to  
one Sunday morning recently,  
translating & writing it on my  
thumb nail  
"They may cut my head off in the fall  
But can do no harm to me."

3) Some one asked General Jackson  
"what would they do if the sky  
falls." "Then" replied old  
Hickory, "we shall catch larks."

If the spring wheat crop fails  
in the northwest I know what  
will not happen in Illinois.  
We shall not be making our  
bread of Pillsbury flour which  
at present is our staff of life

But there are wild roots  
enough on & around my place  
to live on comfortably, with the  
fish & game we have always  
with us, to last one year.

If you should be in danger  
of starvation next fall, come  
down & share a root with me.

Yours truly  
Oliver Gilbert.

Q. Gibbs. Dr  
Murray of Eng.  
Covers + B.  
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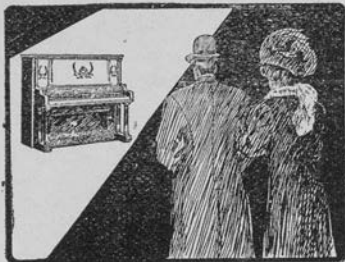
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in payment of Inv 2/18

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PER *A. W. Latham*

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Dr. 75¢ Washella N. D.

Apr. 20<sup>th</sup> 1907.

Mr. W. W. Latham  
Minneapolis Minn  
Dear Sir,

In your letter  
to me of Apr. 4<sup>th</sup> you say  
that you have a quantity  
of Apple seeds left over. I  
wish I could procure a  
cup-full or so of them and  
have them sent to my son  
at Anoka so I could get  
them when I go down in a  
week or ten days from now. I  
recently ordered 216 Apple  
trees, 50 Grabs, Grapes, Currants  
& Gooseberries from the Rose Hill  
Nursery for my Anoka farm as  
a starter. Yours very truly,  
W. J. Graham send  
P.S. send bill to me,

My Dear Doctor Nathan:

Now I will surprise you again  
by sending something short & thick  
following a recent shewing and  
eminent example.

You may do with it what you  
please; but what I guess you  
had better do is to take a type-  
write copy to secretary A. W. Lath  
A. W. Lath, second floor Keota  
Building, second door to the left  
to you beyond the elevator, and  
tell him if he wants it for his  
monthly Horticultural, <sup>month of May</sup> he may  
use it; otherwise give it back  
to you. He must be the judge  
whether it is available or no  
As - not going north at present. This

appears to be my summer resort - they you  
M. N. Alvord } Respectfully & devotedly  
mch 28/07 } yours, Oliver Gibbs

2- grafting

Now, brethren of the out-door trade,  
Over the miles I graft on you  
This thought: not even money is made  
By other means than being true.

This graft will "take", the stock is sound;  
Affinities we here combine;  
So, Latham he may pass this round  
For days of Old Long Sine

There's many a cent have found this out  
And changed their job to holding  
torches.

They're way ahead beyond a doubt

~~Some~~ <sup>At first</sup> appear, their torch in hand,

On the White House porch.

Melbourne reads Florida's Oliver Goble.  
March 28, 1907. 3

## Grafting

I had a mort gage on my soul.

I paid it off with blood and tears  
The ink has long since faded, whole  
floods of joy been mine these late years.

To state I've lived in sin that day  
Has had enough wealth to once buy me;  
If I believed in prayer, 'tis this god's prayer,  
The "graft" may never more try me.

The "graft" - I hate the poor abuse  
Of that good word so dear to many.  
The horticultural graft <sup>me</sup> I love to see;  
The boodler's "graft" not any.

The Univ. ~~of~~ Minnesota

President's Office

Minneapolis, Apr. 2nd 1907.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
City.

My dear Mr. Latham:

I send you herewith a letter received from Oliver Gibbs with an accompanying document. The letter explains itself and I turn it over to you to make such use of it as you see fit according to the request of Mr. Gibbs.

Very truly yours,

*Cyrus Northrop.*

1-Enclosure.

Retreat—A Song of Florida.

I hear the signal to retreat,

My old commander I obey—  
Too near the gate of Easy Street,  
With courage strong I run away.

Give me the bucksaw and the hoe,  
The axe, the dibble and the spade  
With buttonaire to heaven I go,  
And learn the gentle gard'ner's trade.

If God's first temple was his grove,  
A son of Zeus may work there;—  
What better than his trees to love?  
What bloom in life can be more fair?

And if again command I hear,  
I not oppose one single wish;  
No rest but change I know or fear:  
Take up my rod and catch some fish.

Then hie me home a happy winner,  
Careless, so plenty be in sight,  
What wholesome stuff we have for din-  
ner—

Say, Simpson, have I got this right?

OLIVER GIBBS,

Melbourne Beach.

Spring Valley. (Wis.) Sun.

Melbourne Times

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ME

Melbourne Beach, Florida,  
Feb. 18, 1907.

Dear Latham.

This on the whole is better. But do you see what Simpson did to Latham?

There are not three honest men in Melbourne unless the thing of Bashon when there can be counted in.

Olive Gibbs



Publishes a Monthly Magazine entitled "The Minnesota Horticulturist." Sent free to all members of the Society. Send to Secretary for copy of the Magazine and Folder containing the "Fruit List" for Minnesota and describing the work of the Society, its publications, methods, etc.

## Minnesota State Horticultural Society,

President, SAM'L B. GREEN, St. Anthony Park.

Office (and Library) of

A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.,

Minneapolis, Minn., 5/8/07.

Oliver Gibbs,

Melbourne Beach, Fla.

Dear Friend,-

I have your favor of the 4th, inst. together with photographs just at hand this morning. I understand that you want me to make a half-tone plate of the longest of the two photographs, about 120 screen, to fit the paper used by the East Aurora people. I suppose this is to go across the top of the letter-head. The letter-head itself is eight inches wide. Of course you don't want it to fill in this whole space, you want a little margin. Please let me know how much margin, and then I can go ahead and get the plate made. What is the use of paying those people \$10 for 500 letter-heads on a "nice bond or linen" when you can get them printed here for one-quarter of that price in any kind of style you want. Is there anything to go on the letter-head besides the plate and the word "Bashan" that you want engraved on the plate, I suppose on the bottom?

(over)

It seems just a little like spring here today. Yesterday it snowed all the afternoon. You Florida fellows must have "hooded" the weather up here to keep the northern visitors there a little longer.

I will hold this whole business until I hear from you again.

Very cordially,

*A. W. Latham, Secy*

I have decided to put nothing  
under the plate & kept the following

Summer resort & winter retreat  
of Og. east side of Indian River,  
near the Post Office called

Melbourne Beach, Florida

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and have so notified Mr. Rosen,  
who will be looking to get  
the plate & documents  
from you or the engraver.

I have a special Arabian  
for wanting the Raycroft-Shop  
to do the job.

Thank you very much for  
your attention.

I kindly send me the bill.  
I am off today for the week  
proceed with the other Nat. Socy.  
at their annual meeting, four  
days at St. Petersburg, near

Tampa

May 13.

Oliver Gibbs

Og. or to be consistent,

Og.

Do you think it  
is to go to Og's, what is  
my gold. I leave it all to you.

I am a little fearful the engraver  
will leave the worse, open & press  
of the photo on to show in the  
July tone on the letter head.  
If he does, will you please hold the  
stuff & send me a sample. I don't want the  
letter head unless the half tone is to both good. Og.

T. H. TODD, VICE PRES'T.  
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Mr. A. W. Latham, .

Secy. Minn. Horticultural Society,

Minneapolis, Minn..

Dear Sir,

Your report duly received, and thank you for it .

Our book of 1906 will be out shortly now and package will be sent you as usual.

I am certainly sorry for your great loss of reports in the fire. The fruit crop is very badly damaged all over our State, there will not be ten per cent of a crop of apples or peaches.

*L. A. Goodman.*



# State of Minnesota

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Lynd, Minn., May 7, 1907.

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

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find a letter from Mr. Albert Lano of Excelsior. Please write and tell me what you know about this man. Possibly he may be a good man for the Institute. I will make no reply to his letter until I have looked the matter up. Please return his letter with your reply.

Very truly yours,

*O. C. Gregg*  
Superintendent.

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*A. W. Latham*  
*Sec. Minnesota Horticultural Soc*  
*Kasota Block*  
*Minneapolis Minn*

Princeton Minn  
Apr 29 1907

A W Latham  
Dear Sir,

I understand the Jewell Nursery  
Co of Lake City paid for a year's  
subscription of the Minnesota Horticult-  
urist for me. I received a couple  
of copies, but none have come  
to hand since last fall - Please  
send them along - Yours truly  
W. Griffith

✓ 76  
Nashua N. H.

April 30<sup>th</sup> 1904

Mr. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis, Minn

Please find  
enclosed P. O. for .754 for Apple  
Seeds sent my son at Mooka,  
Many thanks.

Very truly Yours  
W. J. Graham

Melbourne Beach, Florida,  
April 2, 1907.

Dear Latham:

In a few days more I expect to want to send a photo for a half tone for letter head, and what is now the address of your engravers at Minneapolis,<sup>3</sup> I know the man down there on Hennepin, but cannot recall the firm address - Biggen & something. Kindly phone them to mail it to me.

All sorts of unusual weather here the past six months, but - by staying at home & watching out for the riders of mares, still lying, holding his property, & the even tenor of his pleasant way at Washon. It was one of the mistakes of Mores that he printed that

2/ lying report of his cowardly  
woman-thieves & cattle rustlers  
Dicut, II V, 46 to 49.

Mores, has been in hell with  
Hamlet's father a long time  
doing time for his repeated

violation of the commandment

verse 21 next chapter "all

the foul crimes done in the

body are burned & purged

away," while Oj, though he had

to run to save anything from his

bad neighbors the Mosaic devils

and establish himself in a new

& better position by the sea towards

the sun-rising, is ~~being~~

quite well I thank you. Has

a new artesian well, 300 gallons

a minute, irrigation plant installed

& tomatoes ripe already.

Oj, + his mark.  
Oliver Gilbert

This is to be my summer report -  
Have you & the old boys & girls any bones?

50  
Walhalla S. D.,  
April 8<sup>th</sup> 1904.

Mr. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis, Minn.  
Dear Sir,

I enclose \$10<sup>00</sup> for apple seeds  
for prize as per enclosed Circular.  
I want my seeds sent to my  
son at Moka, Minn, who is  
W. J. Graham Jr. and who will  
take care of them until I come  
down. I wish you would du-  
plicate them for him and send  
me the bill, and I will remit for  
seeds & postage. Also send my pre-  
miums to his care Nos. 445.

possibly you may have received  
his choice by this time and could

Send them all together. I  
 will be down to Anoka some  
 time this month and will see  
 about planting my orchard  
 and other trees. I wish you  
 could put in No. 9 also. the  
 6 seedlings, for both my son  
 and myself and send me  
 bill and I will pay for them

I will write my son this  
 week about this whole matter  
 so he will understand it.

Yours very truly,  
 W. J. Graham M.D.

W. H. Latham

Dear Sir,

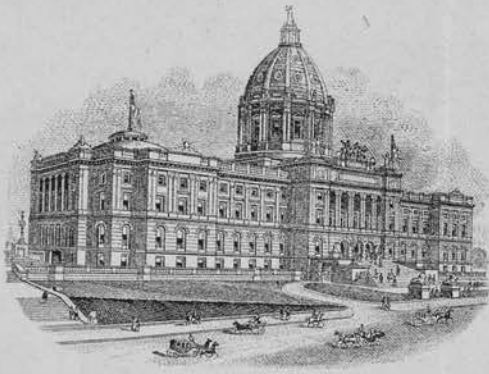
St Anthony Park,

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Enclosed please find  
Twenty five cents as dues for  
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Park. Minn R. F. D. 8.

Yours for good flowers

Mrs F. H. Gibbs Sec.



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O. C. GREGG SUPERINTENDENT.

326 Capitol Bldg., St Paul, Minn.  
March 14, 1907.

*Handwritten notes:*  
O.C. Gregg  
March 14, 1907  
210.00

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

Dear friend Latham:

Enclosed herewith please find Auditor's Order No. 141062, and 141061, favor of A. Brackett. These are sent as I have before promised. Since writing my last letter I have received a letter from Mr. Brackett in which he says "In regard to Mr. Latham, he wished to get the books straightened out, so I thought he would get it sooner than I would. But if you will send the check to me at Excelsior Mrs. Brackett will send Mr. Latham the \$151." I replied to Mr. Brackett and said that inasmuch as I had promised to send it to you, that we would follow out that course and leave you and him to settle the matter. I thought it would be a loss of time to prolong the correspondence.

Very truly yours,

*O. C. Gregg*  
Superintendent.

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

Mar. 11 / 1907

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

Dear Sir:

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and Magazine, you may send him Plant Premiums Nos. 12-9.

~~For my premium in securing this new member please send me the  
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Signed

Post-office

*M. L. Grotz*  
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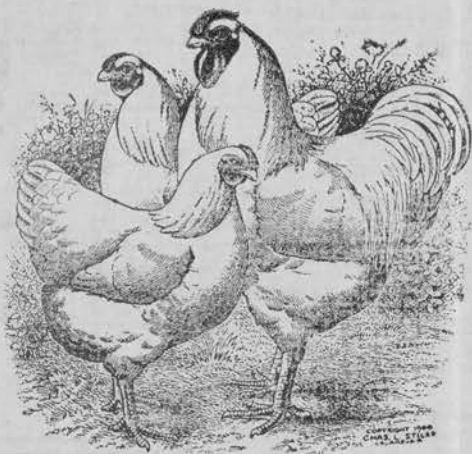
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Mr. A. H. Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Please accept my thanks  
for the clippings and information  
regarding Peter M. Sibley.  
It will be a great help to  
me and your favor is very  
much appreciated.

I am very resp<sup>t</sup>

J. C. Grossman.



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326 Capitol Bldg., St Paul, Minn.,  
March 12, 1907.

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

Dear friend Latham:

We have your letter of March 11th: As I telephoned you yesterday, as soon as the voucher from Mr. Brackett comes to hand, we will obtain the Auditor's order for the amount due him. We then will send that order to you and you can arrange with Mr. Brackett to endorse the same, taking out the amount which is due you and forwarding him the balance. I have written him already that that would be a good course to pursue. This voucher has not come to hand at the present writing but I expect it to arrive to-morrow. By looking up our letter files I find that it was sent to a point a little ahead of what we had planned, so it has made it slow in coming to our hands.

Very truly yours,

*O. C. Gregg*  
Superintendent.

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Cent 35.07

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Austin Minn

Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> 1907

C. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir - Enclosed please  
find fifty cents for which I  
would like Prof. Green's Amateur  
Fruit Growing.

Yours truly,

J. C. Alloway.



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Mankato, Minn.

Oct 4 1907

The A W Latham  
Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 1st inst recd. I was much surprised at what you say about the Apple seedling I named Mankato. It is not propagated for sale, has only been shown three times one of which was at your state or last winter meeting in Mpls and the only blowing I am aware of about it is the bawling our local papers and a Lake Crystal publication has kept up between each other about it. One of which even claimed the seed from which it sprang was picked up in the Garden of Eden. It is however a very promising seedling for a business apple if it will only keep up the record of the old tree when the youngsters come to bearing. This year the apples had no care being kept in a furnace heated cellar and got bruised when hauling them down to our office on rough frozen road and I told Prof Green that I did not care about it. Now

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getting for any price and was much surprised when Mr Strand put me a bid for \$7.00 as you stated in your letter. It is not a matter of price or newspaper tree foxy with me but to get a business apple for the Northwest and whether this will turn out to be only father time can tell. I have many new and promising things which I would be glad to have Prof Green test, and hope he will get the much needed land he is after, he is not a professional nursery man nor a jabus seedling crew but a levelheaded matter of fact fellow and the very man for his place. I occasionally receive requests for application blanks and believe it would be a good thing if I had a few to give out when asked for. I care nothing about any price for getting new members and you may strike that down out on the blanks,

Yours very truly  
M. L. Gjestrum

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As my little boy just showed me in the Horticulturist where two members voted against the "Mankato" claiming to know something against it. I was not present at the vote taking and doubtless saw it ever come to be mentioned at all. I had not yet made up my mind about what I would name it until after I had placed it on the table in the Church basement and positively knew that no one in that audience knew anything whatever about the seedling. It is just such foolish jealousy that keeps many worthy apples from becoming known and tried. To illustrate, when I placed the apple on the table an old grey man a very prominent member and a seedling crank undertook to tell me it was not a seedling, he knew more about it in our nursery than I did in 17 years. I took no active part in the winter meeting being a new member and a young man, I simply listened and tried to squish things up. I was not however born on the morning I started for the Minneapolis meeting and if at future meeting I find

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that instead of encouraging new blood  
 that some of the old fellows get to bulldozing, I  
 shall add my mite to give them a run for their  
 money, we are not there (I mean should not) be there  
 to discourage anything worthy of trial because we  
 think we know it all, or because we fear it's better  
 than our own hobby, we should be there to encourage  
 each other and do our best to help better conditions  
 in our state at least that is my understanding  
 of this Societies purpose  
 yours M. L. G.

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Wolcottville, Ind. 3/11, 1927

Mr. A. N. Latham

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Some time in 1922 I received a copy of the Minnesota Horticulturist regarding the Peter M. Gideon Memorial Fund, but from some cause or other the matter was overlooked at the time and the little pamphlet you sent mislaid.

At the present time I wish to prepare a history of Peter M. Gideon's Horticultural work and the leading apples, especially Healthys, that he originated and would like to secure one of those monographs which your Society intended to publish at that time. I shall esteem it a great favor if you can inform me where it can be secured and the price. Thanking you for the kindness I am very truly  
J. C. Grossman

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

Dear Sir:

As per your request, I wrote our Senator and Representatives, also Lieut. Gov. Eberhart. My Partner also wrote them. We enclose replies. Mr. Lewis and Gates, have not yet answered and we will either try to see them or write to them again. We have sent out all the folders and if you have any more to spare we will gladly distribute them as we believe there is no better way of making customers for the Nursery trade than by inducing people to join the State Society, and if at any time we can do anything for its welfare we will gladly do our best.

Yours very truly,

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sent  
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Kathala K. O.  
Feb. 20th 1907

Mr. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir, please  
find enclosed \$1.00 for membership  
of my son, W. J. Grahams,  
of Anoka, Minn. I would like  
if you could start him for  
the first of the year Jan, and  
send him all the literature you  
sent me. I am much pleased  
with everything except some  
of your reformed spelling which  
I do not like. Webster is good en-  
ough for me.

I am in correspondence with  
the Rose Hill Nursery of Minneapolis  
about fruit trees for spring planting,

are they all right and reliable?

I am sending you a new member and I see your premium is a '50¢ book. I would like to have you send to my son at Anoka, "Amateur Fruit growing."

My premiums will be Nos. 4 & 5. Four apple tree grafts and four seedlings sent in the Spring to Anoka.

Where do you get your stocks?

I am yours truly,  
H. J. Graham M. D.