



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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Box 228, Lewiston, Idaho,

Nov. 20, 1908.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Sec. Minn. State Hort. Soc.,

Minneapolis, Minn.,

Dear Mr. Latham:

I arrived in this "promised land" Nov. 4, and am pleased with its mild climate and horticultural possibilities and prospects. I expect to attend the National Apple Show, at Spokane, Wash., Dec. 7 to 12, and it occurred <sup>to me</sup> that I might be of some service, perhaps, to you or ~~to~~ the Society, at that time, if you need a representative there, tho I presume that you have made arrangements for representation at that time. Perhaps you will yourself attend, as it occurs the week following Minnesota's meeting. . With best wishes,

Respectfully Yours,

*H. H. S. Russell.*

P.S. The Washington State Horticultural Society meets in conjunction with the National Apple Show.

Chippewa Falls, Wis. Oct 21. 1908.

Mr. A. W. Latham Secty,

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir —

Your kind invitation to appear on the  
Minn. St. Hort. Soc. program in December  
was received some days since, I appreciate  
the honor and will prepare a paper of some  
sort, although I fear it will be of slight  
value to your progressive society. Have  
delayed answering while considering a  
suitable subject. Will discuss some phase  
of the strawberry business — been at it  
15 years — as carried on by men who are  
in it largely enough to be called commercial  
growers. Perhaps for want of a better title  
we might call it, "Some Suggestions for the  
Strawberry Grower." Let it go at that and I'll  
write you if I have cause to change it later.  
Hoping to have the pleasure of your personal  
acquaintance, and many of your members later  
I am  
Sincerely Yours,  
C. L. Richardson.

University of Minnesota  
Crookston School of Agriculture  
Crookston, Minnesota

October 30, 1908.

Secy. A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham,-

I have yours of the 21st. Our society has its meeting here at the School of Agriculture on the 6th of Nov. As you will see by the enclosed program, I am not an officer in the society at present having turned the work over to others. I thot it ought to be able to carry itself now if it is ever going to. I should have sent you program sooner but did not get a copy till this morning. At the meeting I will bring up the matter of delegate to the State Society, and will report or have the officers report who is chosen.

Mrs. Robertson sits across the table from me humming some music which I suspect she intends to drill the kids on for the Horticultural meeting so you may know she has not yet given up the ~~game~~ <sup>game</sup> entirely.

Sincerely Yours,

*Wm Robertson*

Homer Minn 10/15 1908.-  
A. W. Latham.

Muncieapolis

Minn

Dear Sir.

There was an amendment to the State Constitution passed two years ago, relative to the peddling of farm produce on the streets of the cities in this State.

I wish to enquire what effect it had in impls.-

Are the actual growers of garden truck & fruit

allowed to peddle it  
on the streets there  
with out any restrictions  
what-ever, Or are they  
required to go to a  
certain marketing place  
for certain laws,  
and do they have to pay  
license to peddle at  
any time of the day.

I desire this  
information because  
there is some agitation  
about having a market  
in the City of Winona.

The growers in this  
vicinity are opposed

to it. - I did not  
know whom to address  
to get this information  
But thought you might  
either be able to advise  
me or tell me whom  
to apply to. - and  
greatly oblige a  
fellow Horticulturist

Yours very respectfully  
J. W. Raulsden,

Homer

mine

# State of Minnesota

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*St. Anthony Park,* October 13, 1908.

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

My dear Mr. Latham:-

Will you kindly, at your early convenience, write me the value of the total crop of plums in Minnesota? I would like also to know the number of bushels and the value of the apple crop. These figures for last year and for a number of years would suit me, as I could then have a fairly good idea of the general output.

I have tried to find these statistics in our library, and on failing to do so I thought of you as a last resort. Thanking you in advance for any favor along this line that you can give me, I am,

Yours very truly,

*A. G. Ruggles*

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Sept 24/08

AM Latham

Minneapolis Minn

Friend Latham,

I will send  
over my grapes Wednesday  
and hope you will be  
successful in naming  
them. Mrs R. has been  
ill and in bed for past  
two days. Friday she was  
somewhat better and able to  
move with pain, so immu-  
diately started in again to  
push the Poor Society. I  
enclosed the article in the  
Dispatch. Yours truly  
D. W. C. Ruff

Mrs Boardman has a  
fine garden costume  
for women - it would  
be very interesting if she  
would show & tell of it - but  
we could use her paper for  
another meeting. We can  
decide upon the work this week -  
I am sure - - K.C.P.  
Monday.

the other subjects Mrs Gibbs had  
I expected to talk on with  
her last week - I do not  
remember what they were  
or may care to have them  
more than Mr Olen's paper.  
I hope to be able to help her  
about this in a few days -  
but cannot leave the house  
just yet & she cannot  
come out here as she is  
sick - help - at home -

If you feel that you cannot  
give us the time - we can  
have a shorter program -

as we have our election  
of officers and business  
meeting afterwards.

It is looking quite like  
winter out here - but no  
frost yet. The grapes  
are getting ripe.

Sincerely yours

(Enclosure) Sigge C Ruff.

at the winter meeting last Dec.  
Mrs Gibbs and I asked Prof. Hanson  
to speak to us on Roses and he  
said "he would if he could attend  
the meeting - if at home."

At the Horticultural June meeting  
you spoke to me of Mr Ruff's  
saying something on Dahlias &  
Gladiolus - so I asked him to do  
something for us. I also had spoken  
to Mr Olson about telling us  
how to arrange and cut flowers  
for exhibition, he said he would -  
but I am afraid that he will not  
read his paper - so we could let  
that go until a later time - but I  
spoke to him about it, can see  
if he will decide to do it.

Mr A W Sathaul -

Dear Sir;

Your request came  
as a great surprise, and  
made me have a good laugh  
to think of me writing about  
vegetables - but if I can  
do as you suggest, "treat  
in a pleasant way" - perhaps  
I may be able to help those  
beginners in raising vegetables  
as I have been successful  
with some vegetables, if you  
can think of no one better fitted  
I shall be I am glad to help

I am just able to be about  
after almost a week in bed  
with rheumatism, I speak  
of this in excuse for my  
not having finished up  
the program for our meeting.  
Mrs Gibbs could not come  
out here until last Thurs-  
day. and then I was not  
able to have her.

She spoke of several topics  
which you had suggested  
which I thought fine

especially Mr Gibbs paper on Green-  
houses. if you did have him speak  
I had had real good papers especially  
as they are great helps to those situated  
as I am. do not get out here early  
enough to have a green house - most  
of the members are situated much as  
I am on Francis' mine. and the  
papers on Action will be interesting  
especially written by one who knows  
of the kind of experience. Action are  
well mean things to grow.

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*A. W. LATHAM,*

*Member Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,*

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis,*

Wayzata Sept 28/08

Dear Friend: you must excuse me from writing that paper for the Winter meeting it is all I can do to make a report as one of the vice-presidents. it is out of my line of work to write papers. I hate awfully to refuse you weather more cool and plenty of moisture  
Respectfully  
Thos Redpath

# National Horticultural Congress

DECEMBER 14-19, 1908

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 122 MAIN STREET  
IND. PHONE 1387 BLACK

COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA, Sept. 21, 1908.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Sec. Minnesota State Horticultural Society,  
207 Kasota Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

In response to your esteemed favor of Sept. 17th would say that we are very much pleased to hear from you and know that you are putting up a successful show in Minneapolis.

Re.-  
"Our  
December  
Show"  
In the matter of our sending a representative to the exhibition would say that a committee has the matter in charge, and we will write you later what we can do.

The Southwestern Iowa Horticultural Society has no connection whatever with the National Horticultural Congress: they simply meet here in Council Bluffs at the same time we do. Their being on our letter paper was a mistake.

The National Horticultural Congress is a permanent organization. It is organized for the purpose of bringing together each year a National Horticultural exhibition to the end that horticulturists throughout the entire country may be benefited. Being geographically the center and just across the river from Omaha, where the National Corn Exposition will be held, it was the unanimous consensus of opinion, expressed by representatives gathered here last winter from all parts of the country, that Council Bluffs was and is the ideal place for such a show to be held. We have spent many thousands of dollars  
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in erecting a special pavillion, and every indication points to a world beating exhibition of horticultural products.

In bringing this matter to a focus permit me to request that you act as our representative at your show to secure both state and individual exhibits for our show. As many details will have to be worked out we would thank you most sincerely for a prompt answer and acceptance and for giving us your opinion as to the best method of procedure for securing exhibits from your state. Awaiting your pleasure we beg to remain,

Yours very respectfully,

Freeman L. Reed  
General Superintendent,  
National Horticultural Congress.

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*A. W. LATHAM,*

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

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Wayzata Sept 22/08

Dear Friend: We had a heavy storm this morning, both wind & hail, it has blown down nearly all the apples we had left. I picked a good many last week. I left 2 wealthy trees. There was six bushel under the 2 trees, and what are left are badly bruised, so I will be unable to send your 4 boxes I am sorry, but it is something I am not responsible for. Mr. Butterfield has plenty of apples. You can get them from him.

Respectfully, Tho. Redpath.

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Sept 18/08

Friend Latham:-

You overtook the date  
of the Dispatch Clipping. It was  
not a report of last spring's  
Rose show. But of the Dispatch  
Aster & Dahlia show which  
took place last week.  
I have not got far enough  
along with plant breeding to  
make a report. Mrs Ruff  
has spoken about putting  
me on the Rose Society  
program for a paper  
on growing Dahlias &  
Gladies. My "Campbell's Early"  
grapes are ripening now and  
will soon bring some over for  
you to pass upon.

Yours Truly  
D. W. C. Ruff

Wayzata. Sept 17<sup>th</sup> 1908  
A. W. Latham  
Imp'l's. Minn.

Dear Friend: could you give me the names of 25 members that live in the 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional district? I do not know anything about the boundry of the district, and would not know who to write for information, also if you want 4 boxes of Wealthy will send them next week. they are nice colored, but will not send them until I hear from you.

Respectfully  
Thomas Redpath.

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## Southwestern Iowa Horticultural Society

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COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA, December 14 to 19, 1908



September 15, 1908.

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

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly advise us when your State Horti-  
cultural Show is to be held, as we wish to send a representative  
there.

Yours truly,

General Superintendent,  
National Horticultural Congress.

D. W. C. RUFF

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Sept 4/08

My dear Elliott

Memphis

Friend Elliott:-

On looking up my records I find that my "Campbell's Early" grape which suffered such a horrible fate at the hands of Mr Latham & Prof Green was sent to Mr Green or eight years ago by the State Horticultural Society as a premium for becoming a new member. It came with a Beta and was labeled "Campbell's Early". The Beta died. It is the only "Campbell's Early" I have ever had and I owe Mr Underwood an apology for stating it came from him. But all the grapes I ever bought came from the Jewell. If my Mrs Diamond and my Brightons are also off the judges' table, then the Jewell Co. are not any more reliable than the Horticultural Society. Yours D W C Ruff

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**A. W. LATHAM,**  
*Sec'y Minn. State Hort. Soc'y,*  
**907 Hazen Block,**  
**Minneapolis, Minn**

Winnabago Minn Aug 27 - 09  
Dear Friend expect to be at the  
Winter Meeting but not at the  
State Fair shall be glad to write  
on the subject you mention

I am getting to be an old man  
and there are a few things on that  
subject that I should like to say  
before I am laid on the shelf  
Love Bye S D Richardson

Wayzata 8/21-1908

A. W. Latham

Mpls. Minn.

Dear Friend:- Your letter received today. I will be at your office Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

We will have time to put up decorations by Friday night. I suppose they have plenty help in the Agr department so we can put up ours first. Sorry to hear the fruit is so slim. I am sure the hall will be full as usual.

Respectfully

Thos Redpath

Wayzata 8/19. 08

A. W. Latham

Mpls. Minn.

Dear Friend :- When Mr. Elliot was at our house last week. He said you told Him I was to come down next Tuesday morning. Is that the understanding, I did not see you last Monday when in the city. George would like to work again for you at the Fair, but I want you to feel perfectly free, and get whoever you want. Please let me know and oblige.

Yours Respectfully  
Thos Redpath



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MINNESOTA STATE EXPERIMENT STATION.

ST. ANTHONY PARK 8-17-08 190   

DEAR SIR—

Prof. Washburn is taking a short vacation at present. He will undoubtedly take up the matter of spraying with you on his return.

Yours truly,

*A. G. Ruggles*

~~F. I. WASHBURN~~

~~STATE ENTOMOLOGIST~~

Wayzata 3/8/08

A. W. Latham

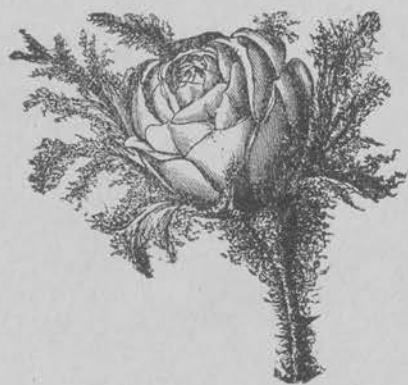
Mpls. Minn

Dear "Friend":- You might get some nice Duchess apples for the Fair at Mr. Butterfield. I understand He has a full crop the only orchard near here that is bearing to amount to anything, it has been sprayed so the fruit must be nice. I think He is going to make an exhibit of Honey. and if so, could deliver the apples to you at Hort Hall.

You had better send Him a premium list as He did not exhibit last year, and might not have one.

Respectfully

Thos Redpath



# The Minnesota State Rose Society

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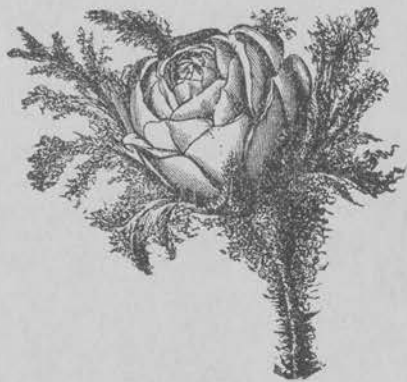
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Mr. Latham

Dear Sir

Your letter received in regard to the pictures for my paper. The pictures of the Biennials in my garden - were taken yesterday and will be forwarded on to you some time next week I think - as soon as they are finished. It was very kind of you to wish to have them. Mrs Gibbs joins me in thanks to you for so kindly sending me your young lady assistant to help us at our Rose Show - also for your words of praise in regard to the Show - which we felt was a success.



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after getting rested up - we shall look about  
for more "worlds to conquer" - we have 46  
members - more members expect to come in the  
first week in December.

Mr Ruff and I are planning to entertain  
the members of the Rose Society one week  
from tomorrow - Saturday. Having them come  
on the morning train - <sup>the Pacific,</sup> which leaves Minneapolis  
about eight o'clock - we on the street cars  
which run to White Bear 25 min - after the home  
from Washburn St. taking 2 hrs from Mpls.  
Luncheon will be served at 1 P.M. - we shall  
be so pleased if you can come - also if  
you please will extend an invitation to  
Miss White - also the young lady who so  
kindly keeps us - last Tuesday - out.

Sincerely yours -  
(morenc) L.C. Ruff.

Bad Eagle Lake -

July 10<sup>th</sup>.

You usually send both  
Mr Ruff and myself a  
monthly magazine - if you care  
to you need send us only one  
copy.