



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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La Gracient Aug 24<sup>th</sup> 1903  
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Mr A W Latham

Dear Sir i thought you  
would have a laugh when you  
got my letter where i said i  
was a member 50 years this was  
a mistake i was in a hurry to  
go away told my daughter to  
look over the Horticultural book  
she said 50 years when i came back  
from post office i said i want to  
see that book Horticultural what  
was my surprise it was the report  
of the Commissioner of patents  
Agriculture if i then looked over  
my membership Ticket the year  
1883 that makes 25 years i have

not get all of tickets, i received  
the Minnesota Bee Keepers program  
it says as we belong to The National  
Bee Keepers association plus our  
State Horticultural & Bee Keeping  
association for the sum of \$1.25  
i sent you Partial order \$1.50  
i send you the name of a new  
member James, Willette with  
1 doll that will make \$2.50  
i think he may attend the meet<sup>ing</sup>  
i hope this will be all right  
yours respectfully

John, Turnbull

P.S. yours received with 24 cents  
in stamps i return them with  
\$1.00 for the new member  
sorry you had to have so  
much trouble yours J, Turnbull

Dept 1.25 to Maker  
Returned 25¢  
11.23.08

Office of Secretary:

# Minnesota State Horticultural Society

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 13, 1908.

Dear Fellow Member:

Your annual membership in the Minnesota State Horticultural Society for 1908 expires December 1, 1908, the first day of the annual meeting of the society. Upon renewal you will be entitled to receive at the meeting, or at the office of the society, or by mail prepaid:

1. A cloth-bound copy of "Trees, Fruit and Flowers," the annual report of this society for 1908, 536 pages—with the understanding that you give away the copies of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" received during 1908—they are all included in this annual report.
2. A handsome lithograph membership ticket for 1909.
3. "The Minnesota Horticulturist," a monthly magazine of 40 pages each, during 1909.
4. Two plant premiums, to be selected from a list to be published in the 1909 magazines (also in the Dec., 1908 Magazine)—but you must notify the secretary of your selection before April 1st.

So few of our members wish to drop out, **unless advised by you to the contrary** before Dec. 1, 1908, it will be taken for granted that you wish your name continued on the membership roll, and we shall continue to send our monthly regularly—at the same time **we hope to hear definitely from each member** before the beginning of the new society year.

Please **use one of the three** following statements, **running a pencil mark through the other two**, and mail to the secretary **before Nov. 27**, enclosing the annual fee where convenient.

1. I enclose \$1.00 in payment of the annual fee for 1909.
2. I wish to continue a member of the society and will remit the membership fee about.....

To day Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1908

3. I do not wish to continue a member of the society.

Sign your name..... John J. Turnbull

Post Office..... La Crescent Minn

Date..... Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1908

### To Members of Auxiliary Societies:

If you are a member of some auxiliary society which collects a membership fee of \$1.00, and you purpose continuing your membership therein, will you please note below, in the blank line provided, the name of this auxiliary society, and your name will be continued on the mailing list of the state society. In this case you **must pay your membership fee directly to the secretary of the auxiliary society**. If paid to the secretary of the state society, it will in every case be credited to the state society and not to the auxiliary.

Name of Auxiliary Society ..... Association

(OVER)

I enclose postal order for \$1.50  
50 cents for the state Beekeeper please hand it to them  
how is it in regards to the united Beekeeper association

## THE SOCIETY BADGE BOOK.

A Badge Book will be printed for use at the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, to be held in Minneapolis, December 1 to 4, 1908. It will **contain a full list of all members and their wives who have sent notification** of their purpose to attend the meeting, **and of no others.** This list as published will be arranged alphabetically as well as numerically.

No names can go into the Badge Book except of those who send notice to reach the secretary by Nov. 27th at latest.

Upon arrival at the meeting apply at once to the secretary, and a copy of the Badge Book will be furnished you, with a society badge and a button numbered to correspond with the number set opposite your name in the Badge Book. **This Badge and Button are to be worn** during the meeting for the purpose of identification and will be found a great convenience in making acquaintance in our large society.—**USE IT.**

**Please answer the following questions:**

1. Do you expect to attend the annual meeting?..... *Yes* .....
2. Does your wife (husband) expect to attend?..... *No* .....
3. Do you and wife (husband) expect to attend the annual banquet?—Come and "break bread" with us.....
4. How many years have you been a member?..... *50 years* .....
5. Your age..... *if i live to April 7 will be 88* .....
6. Your occupation..... *Bee keeper* .....
7. In what branch of horticulture are you most interested?.....

N. B.—All wives of members, as well as other women interested in our work, should be members of the Woman's Auxiliary. See program of annual meeting.

### To the Members of the Plant Breeder's Auxiliary.

Please do not forget to wear to the Annual Meeting the button furnished you as a member of this Auxiliary.

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**Please make suggestions for the good of the Society.**

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(OVER)

Astoria S. D. Nov. <sup>00</sup>/<sub>16</sub>, '08

A. W. Latham ✓

Minneapolis

Dear Sir

Enclosed find Draft  
for \$200 as Membership  
fee for Myself and  
Alvin Peterson

Send me Plant Premium Nos.

489

" Peterson

485

Yours Truly  
A. P. Torgerson



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# Minnesota State Agricultural Society

## STATE FAIR OF 1907, SEPTEMBER 2ND TO 7TH

Office of J. M. UNDERWOOD,

Supt. of Agriculture, Horticulture and Honey,

LAKE CITY, MINN.

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NE

Nov. 20th, 1908.

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

Friend Latham:-

Who had we better put on the program for our State Agricultural Society meeting the 12th, 13th and 14th of January, to represent Horticulture?

Who would be the best one to give the opening address? We have that of Mr. Hill but he is in New York and does not expect to be back until in February. Would Prof. L. H. Bailey of Ithaca, New York be a good man for the place? Governor Johnson has given the opening address for three successive years and we would prefer not to have a politician. Senator Clapp has been suggested and Senator Brower of St. Cloud.

I would also like to have the women represented. How would it do to ask Mrs. E. W. Wilcox to give us the speech "As you Like it" that she made at our Horticultural meeting in 1906? I don't remember so much about what she said as the way she said it. Mrs. Underwood suggests that Mrs. La Penotierre would make a good impression.

Cordially yours,

1907-P457.

J. M. Underwood.

*Chas. Haraldson*

*E. A. Smith*

*R. A. D. Smith*

*J. V. Bailey*

*Mrs. Conde Hamilton*

*Mrs. Foresty*

*C. D. Harrison*

*The farmer's gold mine*

*J. M. Owen*

*P. V. Collins*

*Prof. H. Snyder*

*Mrs. La Penotierre*

POSTAL CARD MINN

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

**A. W. LATHAM,**

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

*207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn*



Mr A. W. Satham Sec  
Minneapolis Minn

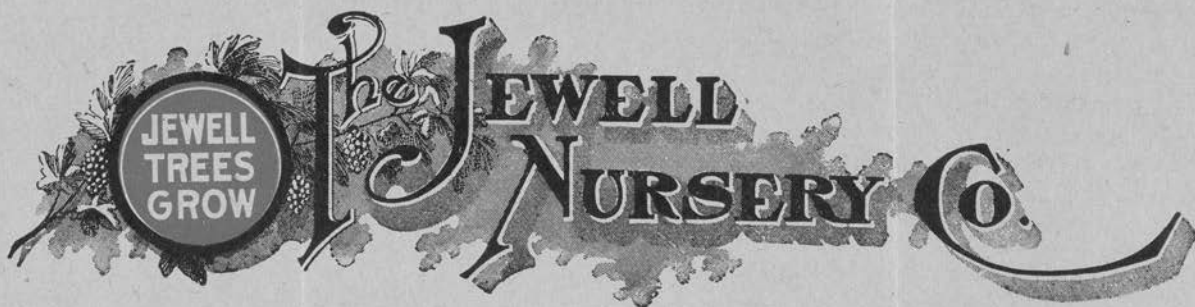
Minnesota Minn  
11/16/08

Dear Sir :- Your favor of 8d inst at hand.  
I will not know until the last part of the  
month wether I can attend the meeting or  
not so I do not feel that it is proper for me  
to retain the appointment as usher when  
there probably are those that will be sure to  
attend that would like to serve. However I thank  
you for the honor offered and will assure you that  
I will not fail to attend if I  
possibly can Respectfully Yours J. L. Bigland

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SEEDS

LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

NE

Nov.13th, 1908.

A.W.Latham, Esq.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Agreeable to your request we will send the evergreens for  
decorating.

Cordially yours,

J.M.Underwood, Pres.



LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

NE

Nov. 7th, 1908.

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

Dear Friend:-

Program of winter meeting received. It is seldom that one gets as good a proof from a printer. Now the only possible change that I could suggest would be that of putting the plant Breeder's Auxiliary program on Tuesday or Wednesday: I have wanted to go to the Live Stock Breeder's exhibits at Chicago every year, and the Board of Managers are requested and somewhat expected to. Unfortunately the program always comes at the same time of our Horticultural meeting, and I am thinking that I would put in Tuesday and Wednesday with our Horticultural Society and on Wednesday night go down to Chicago so as to be there at a meeting of the State Fair Managers Thursday. If my business obligations will admit of this program I would like to carry it out; but it is not necessary to change the position on the program of the Plant Breeder's for that can be very well taken care of even if I am not there.

I was very much pleased with the meeting at the Fair Grounds and so were all of our Board of Managers. Mr. Cosgrove, especially, expressed himself as delighted with the large and influential bodies of representatives, and said that if we can't go to the Legislature and get \$500,000.00 with such a backing as that we are no good. Now what we want is that each department furnish a plan for the building that they want and then organize to backup the request with the most intelligent and aggressive work in getting an appropriation. Cosgrove says get the horticulturists, floriculturists, agriculturists, beekeepers, Woman's Federation and everyone to put in their claim and we will see what can be done.

Cordially yours, *J. M. Underwood*



LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

NE

, Nov. 10th, 1908.

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

Dear Friend:-

I feel just as you do about the florists' building. You ask if there is anything that you can do to help our movement. I think if you can talk with the florists and get their consent to unite in using the present building, as you suggest, it will be a step in the right direction. I shall write them myself. I do not know but that it is all right looking into the future to provide a plan for a florists' building and give the whole of our building to horticulture. Could we not use the whole building anyway? Take out the band stand and Jewell Nursery exhibit, put in a fountain, decorate the posts with hanging baskets and climbing vines, let the Jewell Nursery go on to the side, space similar to that occupied by the Minneapolis Vegetable Growers, and let other nurserymen have all the space they want on the sides, including fruit exhibits from outside of our state, like Washington, California, Canada, etc.; have liberal aisles and spread our exhibit out more? If we did not get enough exhibitors, go to the orchards and buy fruit to fill up the hall. Of course Cosgrove and all of the board have got to get over the idea that all of the fruit and every other exhibit must be gratuitous if they want to get the biggest and best kind of a display for an advertisement, and as I understand that is what we are working for, - to advertise the state.

Cordially yours,

J.M. Underwood.



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Oct. 26th, 1908.

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

Dear Friend:-

The time is set for the next meeting of the Agricultural Board which is Wednesday, Nov. 4th. I hope that you and Prof. Green, Mr. Wedge and Mr. Elliot can meet with us and be prepared to advocate the turning over of the building to horticulture and floriculture, and if you think best get Mr. Wirth, Mr. Nagle and others to unite. Roy says that the Florist's Ass'n of which he is a member, appointed him with Messrs. Nagle and L.L. May as a committee on State Fair exhibits, but Roy is about starting for California with his wife and will not be available, so talk it over with Nagle and May and others and see what they want to do. They are near you and you can easily get them together and formulate some plan for action. You should know that the action of the florists last spring was quite disgusting to the members of the Board, for they met with us at the grounds and said that they would be glad to take up the ornamenting of the space between the terminal and amphitheater, Mr. Nussbaumer to make up the plans, which he did. Then the committee of florists came back at us with a proposition that the Board should allow them a large amount of money for premiums for exhibits in the building, knowing that there was no space for them there, and that it was not a part of our program to increase the premium list.

Go ahead with your proposition to let the bee-keepers in with a distinct understanding that they are not to disturb the meetings. I will see what I can do to please you in the matter of an article on Seedlings. I can certainly boil it down.

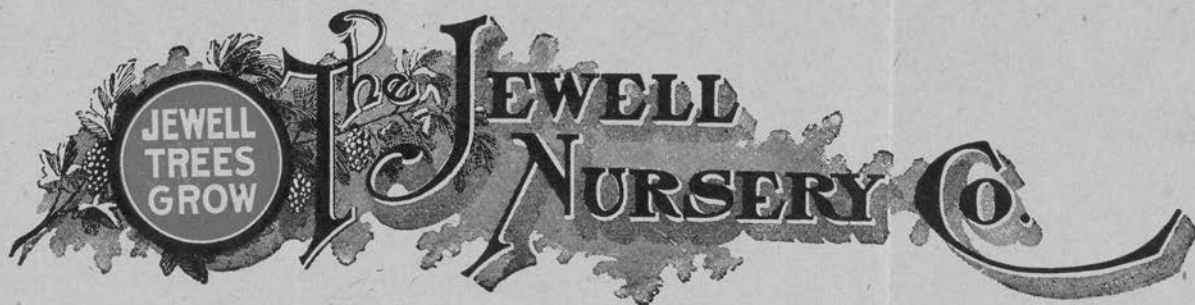
Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood.

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LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

NE

Oct. 29th, 1908.

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

Dear Friend:-

Yours of the 24th at hand. While reading your letter the thought occurred to me, if the students from the farm school would not be more interested in listening to someone who was not one of their number. I have no doubt that his subject will be of great interest to whatever audience it is presented. I guess you are right about five numbers being sufficient for our Woman's Auxiliary. It will then give a little opportunity to ask questions and hear what others have to say. Am looking forward with great pleasure to the meeting.

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.



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NE

Oct. 28th, 1908.

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

Dear Sir:-

Sorry I did not make myself understood. I think it would be better for you to communicate with Messrs. Green, Wedge, Elliot and perhaps it would be well to ask Cashman, to attend the meeting of the Board on the 4th. The best time will probably be the fore part of the afternoon, as there usually is quite an amount of preliminary business to occupy the time of the board in the forenoon. I will acquaint the board with the fact that there will be a delegation representing horticulture and floriculture, and I wish you would pick out someone to present the argument in favor of the horticultural department,--the necessity of the space in the north half of the building for horticulture, and the use which can be made of it. Then someone who is competent should present the claims of the florists, and it should be skillfully done, setting forth the possibilities in making good use of the south half of the building, and if possible without demanding an exorbitant amount for premium, altho I think that there is plenty of good strong argument in favor of a liberal premium list for floriculture.

I expect Prof. Bull will be on hand with a committee in the interests of the agriculturists, and we will try to make an impression on the Board that there is someone around that wants something besides your humble servant.

Cordially yours,

J.M.Underwood

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LAKE CITY, MINN.

Oct. 23-1908

Mrs. W. Latham Minneapolis Minn  
Dear Friend :- Your kind letter of the 21<sup>st</sup>  
received and I thank you cordially for  
extending me the honor of presiding at  
the annual banquet. I should most  
gladly do so, but unfortunately for me  
I will be away at that time. I am  
just concluding arrangements to start for  
California with Mrs. Underwood week  
after next and expect to be gone sev-  
eral months. I shall be very sorry to  
miss the meeting, but it is necessary for  
me to start early so I can return when  
our work begins to increase toward  
spring. Mrs. Underwood's health is  
not improving as fast as I desire &  
we are expecting that the change will  
be of benefit. Again thanking you  
& with best wishes for a record breaking  
meeting I am  
As ever cordially yours  
Ray Underwood

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A W Fatham

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Dollars

In payment of my account  
against the state fair associations

W. J. Tingley





LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

Sept. 23rd, 1908.

NE

Miss Emma V. White,  
 3010 Aldrich Ave.S.,  
 Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Enclosed with this you will find Credential Card signed. I am sorry to say it will be impossible for me to attend the Federation meeting at St.Cloud. I was in hopes to find leisure to take it in but as matters now stand I will have to forgo the pleasure. You undoubtedly know by this time whether we have any funds in the treasury.

With regard to program for the coming meeting, Mr. Latham says he has one article that he thinks will fit in well, and that is sort of a report from Mrs. Edgar H. Loyhed, -"Distributing Apple Trees Through the Woman's Club". I think this will be very interesting indeed, and will show up what women can do. I don't know as it is really necessary to have all women on the program. Perhaps it will be a good plan to try a man or two for variety. How would it be to ask Mr. Nussbaumer, or Mr. Wirth to consider topics something like, -"How to manage public play grounds for children". I wish that we could find someone who would expatiate on the newer varieties of vegetables, say for instance Swiss Chard, Vegetable Oysters, Okra, Celeriac, etc. I think if someone would do this and supply good recipes that could be printed, it would awaken a greater interest in such vegetables. Also, if some good reliable person would follow up the life of a kitchen garden in this state and try to make out a schedule to work to so as to secure something from the garden during every month of the growing season. For some weeks I have heard moaning among a number of my friends that there were no vegetables to be obtained, that they were reduced to potatoes. So many of the people do not understand about planting and obtaining succession of vegetables. Our own garden has been a great pleasure and joy to us thru the entire season and it makes me feel sorry for those who are not enjoying the same bountifulness. Will say that it is not the result of any effort on my own part, but owing to the fact that we have been fortunate in having a first class gardener who seems to love the garden above all things.

We have at present no good photograph of Frau Karl Druschki.

I will try to think up other topics if I can and may have a little more leisure in a week or so, but just now am quite busy. Perhaps you will think of others and also of parties who will do justice to the topic. I may have something in the way of a report, but it will not take up much time.

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.

*Handwritten notes on the left margin:*  
 Class  
 Brussels  
 Sprouts  
 Kale  
 Kale  
 Rabi  
 Spinach  
 Leek  
 Salsify  
 Cabbages

*Handwritten notes on the right margin:*  
 1 Topic  
 2 Nussbaumer  
 3 Wirth  
 4 Mrs. Puff

*Handwritten note at bottom left:*  
 garden ought Mrs. Puff



LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

ABU-NE

Oct. 10th, 1908.

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

Friend Latham:-

Yours of the 9th at hand. I see no reason why Mr. Nussbaumer should not have something to say with regard to play grounds. The topic "public square in the prairie village" perhaps I do not understand, - whether you mean a village pure and simple, or the term to cover a village, town and small city. If he is to be confined to the village, the "children's play ground" would hardly play a part as there is much ground around a village that can be utilized for children to play in. If you consider a town of say from four to fifteen hundred inhabitants, it might be well to consider something of the kind separate, but to be managed in connection with the park.

You can call my paper "The Fourth Year in Improvement Work", following up the line as you suggest. I may not be able to have so very much to say about the work here, but perhaps I could put in some suggestions with regard to work that might be of interest.

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.



LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

NE

Sept. 28th, 1908.

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

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

I wish I could be of some help to you in making up the program, but my brain fails to respond to the occasion. I can only say that in a general way I would like to continue the plan we inaugurated years ago of having short papers or talks on the subject and then have a number of persons prepared to discuss the question. My object in this is to draw out a good many different ones. I thot it worked well and only needed to be persistently carried out to make the plan grow in value. When it comes to discussing a paper, if it has not been carefully prepared for, the discussion will always be taken up by two or three who are the most ready to talk on every subject. Or, the presiding officer will ask if anyone wishes to discuss the paper, or if there are any questions to ask, and nothing will be done. While if after a paper is read the chairman calls on a certain one to discuss the subject from his view point, and then calls on another person, possibly three or four, all of whom have been posted and who have signified a willingness to be present and talk on the subject, then I think it would make it very interesting.

I like the idea of using the Horticultural School as much as possible. As for the Plant Breeder's Auxiliary, I feel as tho there is very little that can be said on the subject, at least I haven't much to offer and it is entirely unnecessary to dignify the subject with a President's address, and I much prefer that the Society President should preside and call on whoever is prepared to offer anything upon the subject. I am always willing to say a word, but I think that it must be a matter of slow growth. No one can make rapid progress in breeding new varieties of trees. They are not exactly like guinea pigs. (Have you ever read "Pigs is Pigs"? If not do so)

I think your attention has been called to a plum grown by R.C.Livingston of Spring Valley. He sent me some samples and has written me about it. I wasn't at home and didn't see the samples, but from what he says I should think it quite a valuable acquisition, and possible he has something that will win the \$1000.00 offered by our Company.

We are shocked and pained to learn of the sudden death of



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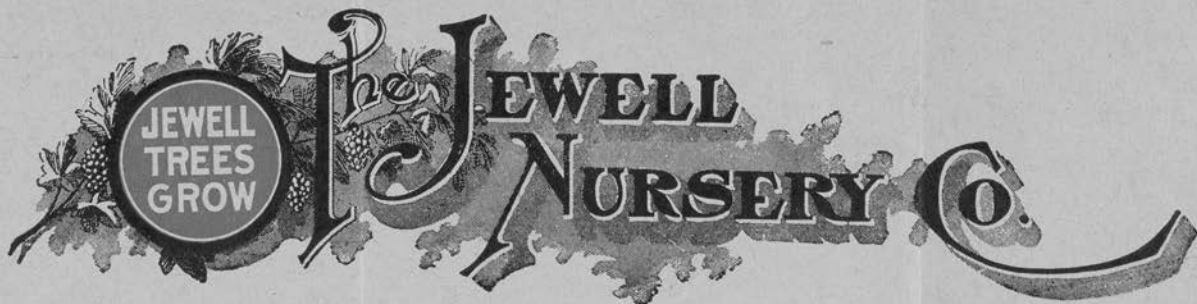
A.W.Latham, # 2.

our neighbor and friend, Nels Anderson, which occurred Saturday evening, occasioned by a kick from a horse. His funeral to be Tuesday at 1:00 P.M. In his quite, unassuming way he was a very interesting and successful horticulturist.

We are all well and just starting in with our fall packing. I expect to go up to the fair grounds next Friday to attend a meeting of the Board.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "J. W. Anderson", is written in the lower right portion of the letter.



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LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA  
Oct. 7th, 1908.

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

Dear Friend:-

I don't know whether I have very much to report this year, but will make up something. I would not advise Mr. Nussbaumer to take up the idea of a public square being used for a playground for the children, that is if they intend to put in swings, merry-go-rounds, etc., for the constant use of the ground by the children very soon spoils it for park purposes. That has been our experience here in Lake City with the one block that we have beautified. The best thing is to have a play ground near by that is just the children's very own where they can play and romp to their hearts content.

I think Mrs. Loyhed will give an interesting paper.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.

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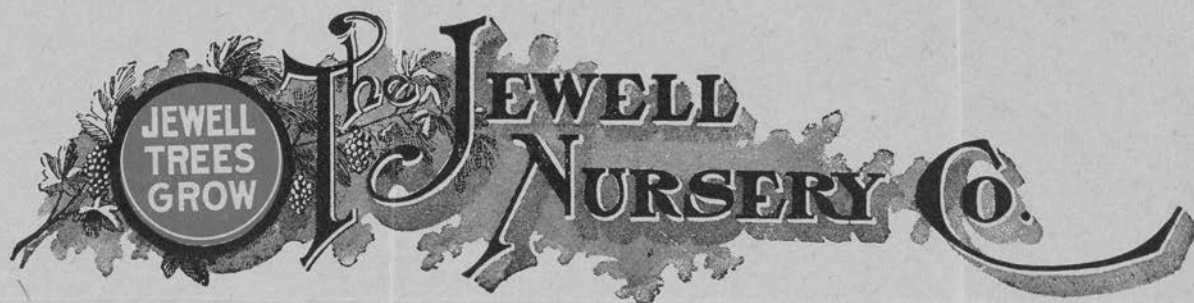
Dear Friend:-

I have forwarded the bills you sent to Mr. Cosgrove.

As to Nels Anderson, write to his wife, Mrs. Nels Anderson and she will refer it to one of the boys, you to ask for the particulars that you want to know. Yes, he ought to have a special mention in our reports for he was a successful horticulturist and demonstrating as he did that fruit could be grown on the high bluffs of the Mississippi, exposed to the severe inclements of our climate, he did much to stimulate the horticulture of our state.

Yours truly,

J.M.Underwood.



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Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

Yours of the 18th duly received. I think that the article "Distributing Apple Trees thru the Woman's Club" by Mrs.E.H.Loyhed is a fine one and will work all right into the Woman's Auxiliary program. I have just been writing Miss White with regard to the matter of the program and have made a few suggestions. I think that one great trouble with our programs has been that there was too much in it and not enough allowance made for discussions. So many would like to ask questions, and I have heard them say afterwards, "Well, the program was so full and no time to ask any questions, that I just kept still". It seems to me that you and Miss White with your acquaintance with the different associations would know of different ones who would be available for our purpose. I think it would be better for you to write to Mrs. Loyhed.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.

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LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA  
Sept. 30th, 1908.

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

Dear Friend:-

I do not know Mr. Pabody, altho the name sounds familiar to me but I cannot recall him. Perhaps it is well to repeat again in the files of our Horticultural Society what "Johnnie Appleseed" did in the past. If Mr. Pabody is very interesting and entertaining, I don't know but what he might be put on the program, otherwise perhaps we better try for somebody else. Am so glad that Mrs. Ruff and Mr. Bailey are to take topics assigned them.

Cordially,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.

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A. W. LATHAM,

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

*207 Kasota Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Lake City, Minn.

Sept. 15th, 1908.

NE

A.W.Latham, Esq.,

207 Kasota Blk.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

I have sent the expense bills  
and vouchers to Mr. Cosgrove and asked  
him to send you a check for the amount.

Cordially yours,

J.M.Underwood.

SCANDIA LODGE  
SUMMER HOME, FAYETTE L. THOMPSON  
SCANDIA LODGE FARM  
LINCOLN, MINNESOTA

Sept. the 9th.

My dear Mr. Latham;-

Thanks for the book and  
certificate received.

Will you give me the name and address of a  
thoroughly reliable grower of NORTHERN GROWN  
fruit trees?

Very truly yours,

*Fayette L. Thompson*

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Sapt., the 1st.

My dear Sir;-

I enclose One Dollar Fifty Cents  
as follows;-

One Dollar for membership in the Horticultural Society and

Fifty Cents for "Amatuer Fruit Growing" by Prof.Green.

Please mail me the book here, as per enclosed addressed envelope; but place my permanent address on your books as 4412 Lindell Boulevard, St.Louis, Mo.

I reside in St.Louis but have a farm and summer home here.

Very truly yours,

Fayette L Thompson

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NE

LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA  
Aug. 15th, 1908.

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

Dear Friend:-

Answering yours of the 8th. In looking over last winter's premium list it occurs to me to make it out as follows:

Grapes, 4 premiums, -----	\$1.00	.75	.50	.25	
Apples, same as last year-----	.50	.40	.30	.20	
Collection, not to exceed 10 var.--	6.00	4.00	2.00	1.00	
Top worked apples, I would cut out entirely as I don't believe it of any especial value to exhibit them.					
Best peck of Wealthy, Okabena, Pattens, N.W.Greening, each----	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	1.00
Nuts--Same as last year -----	.50	.40	.30	.20	
Collection winter seedling apples Same as last year-----	8.00	6.00	4.00	2.00	

Yours truly,

J.M.Underwood.

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SUPT. HORTICULTURE AND AGRICULTURE

Lake City, Minn., Aug. 11, 1908.

ER

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

Dear friend:-

I am fixed the same as you are with regard to positions for young men, having promised every place to other parties, or I should be glad to give your nephew a place. If anything develops, whereby I can use him, I shall do so.

Our board decided to stick to the evergreen decorations and I am having the rope prepared. There are thirty-two spaces between the posts and I am having pieces of rope made twenty-three feet long that will hang up and make a double loop. I do not remember whether we had any festoons between the posts and across the main aisle. Can you tell me this? I believe we twined the rope around the posts down for about eight feet. Did we not?

I thank you very much for your offer to help us secure some fruit and I will refer the matter to Roy who is looking after it. We hope to have enough, or nearly so, of our own growing for our exhibit but not more than that.

I do not know about the purchasing of the articles needed in your department. Call Cosgrove up and ask him. I expect to go to the Fair Grounds next Monday and stay there a day or two to get everything in shape.

Cordially yours,

*J. M. Underwood*

PA  
The country  
fair is  
depending  
on market  
will fill up all  
vacant  
and spots  
make a show

Withrow mjm aug 10 = 08

A W Latham

Dear sir

I will let you have  
about two bushels of select  
duches and Borovinea  
apples for the fair and  
will deliver them at  
fair grounds on Saturday  
aug 29 The Nelson I have  
but a few and the superb  
I have only 8 graft set about  
six years and most of these  
I want to keep myself  
for winter still I will  
send a few of them as  
they are so large and smooth  
yours Truly W J Tingley

THE FRUIT GROWERS ASSOCIATION  
OF  
ADAMS COUNTY,

FLORA DALE, PA., 8 / 6 / 1908

Mr. A. W. Latham, Sec.

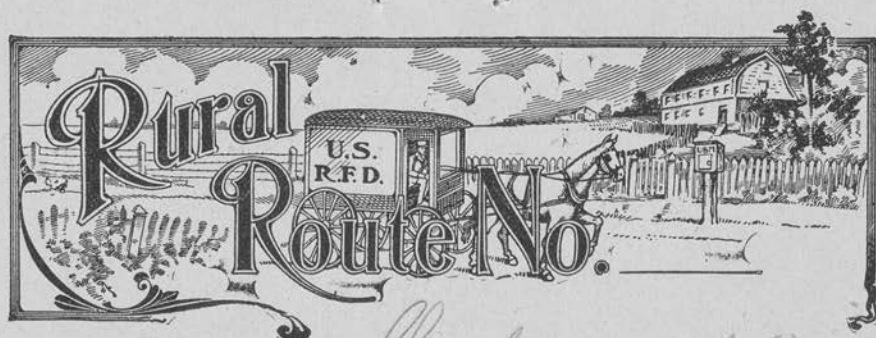
Minnesota State Hort. Society

Dear Sir:-

We are indebted for your very courteous reply to our recent inquiry as to whether your state has any fruit package and packing laws in force and regret to learn that you have not. From a great many replies we are sorry to say we have received very little information to help us, very few states having taken any steps in this, we believe, very important matter. We note that you publish a monthly magazine and hope that you will continue to agitate the subject till some action is taken. Canada's experience seems to have been so satisfactory on the foreign market as the result of the Fruit Marks Act that it behooves American Growers to "look sharp"

Very truly yours.

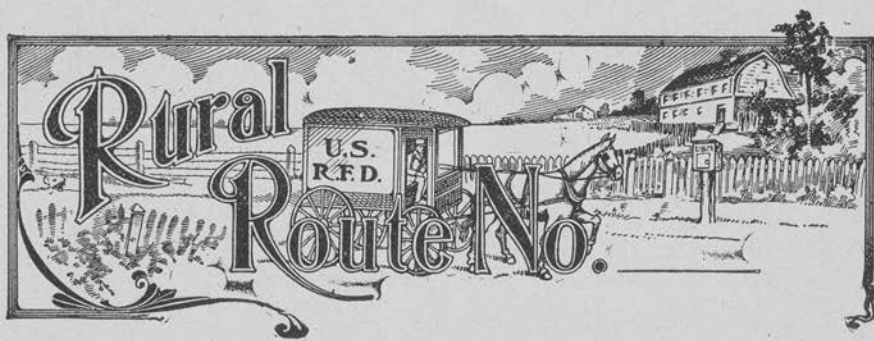
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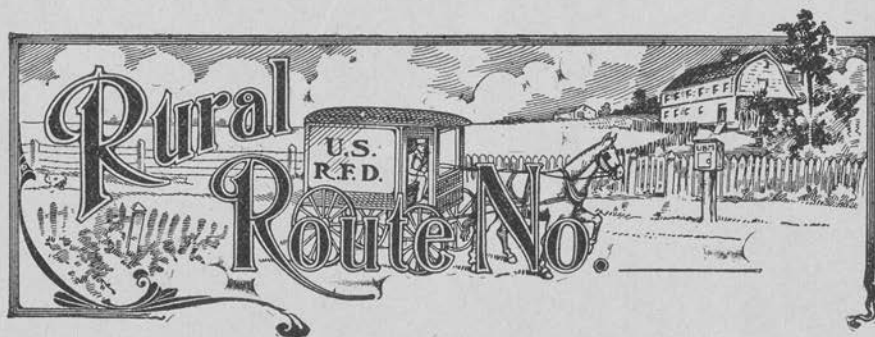
A. W. Sathan  
Minneapolis  
Dear Sir

in the Farmer  
and in the Agcenter  
I find quite a difference  
of opinion about the  
time of Pruning Fruit  
Trees I make pruning  
my business all of the  
year except in the  
coldest days in the  
Winter and I have all of  
the work that I can do  
and Fruit-Trees can be  
truned any time of the



year with perfect safety  
for I have done the work  
every month in the  
year and the trees all  
have done well.

I was in a Orchard that  
I trimmed last July last  
Friday Morning trees  
are coming fine but there  
is scarcely any water  
spray's two hours  
work would take off  
all of the water spray's  
my one Orchard of 126  
large trees it took me  
4 days to trim last July.



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I write this to let you  
know my experience  
in Training please  
let me hear from  
you soon and oblige  
Yours Truly

H. W. Tompkins  
Sherburne  
Box 316 Minn

THE FRUIT GROWERS ASSOCIATION  
OF  
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FLORA DALE, PA., July 22, 1908.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Secretary,  
Minnesota State Horticultural Society,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

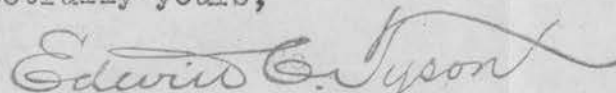
Will you kindly advise if there are any laws in force in your state which specify a standard size or capacity or both for closed packages of deciduous tree fruits, which also requires the observance of a standard grading of the fruit and marking of the package and which further provides a penalty for failure to comply with its specifications?

If no law in force, do you know of any proposed legislation in your state along these lines? If you have such a law covering all or any one or more of these points can you tell me where I can obtain a copy?

We desire to secure all the information we can along these lines and any data you can send us or put us in the way of securing will be very much appreciated.

Thanking you in advance for the courtesy of an early reply and with the hope that we may at some time be able to return the favor, I am

Respectfully yours,



Corresponding Secretary.

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Lake City, Minn., July 20th, 1908. 19

NE

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

Dear Friend:-

Mr. Northrup called up by telephone the other day and wanted to know if I could not assign him some other space than the one in the southwest corner. I had assigned them the whole corner, 24 x 24 ft., but they think it is off in one corner and don't like the position, etc. I suppose I could use the space to good advantage, and they want to know if they can't have the same space they had last year. I had figured that we would need all of the space in your end of the building for fruits, flowers and plants. It may be, however, that the florists will not want to put up much of an exhibit, and that we can change and let Northrup & King have the same space they had last year. What do you say?

I am just in receipt of a letter from Prof. Green asking for 10 ft. square or somewhat larger space, if we have it to spare in the horticultural building, for an exhibit of Forestry methods and practice. What can we do for him?

Yours cordially,

J. M. Underwood, Supt.



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## Minnesota State Horticultural Society,

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



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207 KASOTA BLDG.,

Minneapolis, Minn. ,5/6/08.

G. A. Tracy,


Watertown, S.D.

Dear Mr. Tracy,-

Can you furnish me with a photograph or two that I could use in illustrating the article on "Orcharding on the Dakota Prairie" that you kindly presented at our last annual meeting? Any view of a Dakota prairie orchard, old or young, would answer our purpose, and would be all the more interesting to have something else in it,-for instance, if you were to have one taken of your orchard we should want you to appear in the picture. Wont you please see what you can do for us, and please send us a photograph of yourself, which will work in very nicely with the article also.

Hoping to hear from you soon in response, I am,

Yours fraternally,

  
Sec'y.

*over*

Photos  
sent



Waterloo SD July 15 - 08

W Latham

I delayed answering your letter for I did not have any picture of orchard as my self that suited me I thought I would have some taken but it hasent been convenient for me to get any so I will send two such as I have if either one will do use it if not put them in the waste basket

yours truly

G A Tracy

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June 23, 1908

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

Dear Sir:

Kindly inform me by return mail, and if possible send the plate, if you can send me the half-tone from which you printed Mr. Pendergast's picture in your horticultural magazine some years ago. I desire this for Prof. Bailey of Cornell, who wishes to use it in the forthcoming agricultural encyclopedia.

Very truly yours,

  
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Lake City, Minn., June 29th, 1908.

NE

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

Dear Friend:-

The Board of Managers will meet at the Fair Grounds on Thursday next. If there is anything you wish to see me about I shall be glad to have you come out to the grounds. You can plan to take dinner with us.

Last winter in considering the interests of our management, it was proposed that each department put in a requisition for supplies or labor or anything that they might need in advance so that the board might act upon it. I did not understand that it was particularly intended for our departments of agriculture and horticulture, but they of course must be included therein as well as the rest. They have sent me some blanks to fill out and I am inclosing one to you. You can look it over and see if you can use it in any way for the department of horticulture. Ask them for everything you can think of that you are likely to need and I will do the same for agriculture.

Cordially your friend,

J. M. Underwood,  
Supt.