



Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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ST. ANTHONY PARK, ST. PAUL, MINN.,

Sept. 11, 1909.

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

Dear Mr. Latham:

In view of the fact that Mr.

H. Knudson, of Springfield, Minn., has developed so many new and interesting plums, I would suggest that our society could well afford to recognize his work in originating plums by giving him a small gratuity, say, of twenty-five dollars.

I put this in writing so that you may not forget it, and we can discuss it together and if you think it best, it can be brought up at the next meeting of our Executive Committee.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel B. Green

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ST. ANTHONY PARK, ST. PAUL, MINN.,

Sept. 17, '09.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Kasota Block, Minneapolis.

Dear Mr. Latham:

In response to yours of the 14th inst., I would suggest that you ask Mr. Cady to get up a paper entitled "A Review of Recent Literature on the Pollination of Orchard Fruits". He is not here this morning, but I know that if you give him the subject he can make it interesting, as there is a considerable amount of material that has been published along this line within the last twelve months.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel B. Green

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Secretary's Office, Osage, Iowa, Nov. 19..... 1909

My dear Mr. Latham.

As you sent no Delegate to the N.E.I.H.S. We recognized Mr. O.M. Moore as your official delegate and treated him accordingly. We trust you will back us up in this respect. There were ~~no~~ from your society present at the time, Mr. Moore and Mr. Richardson. The latter insisted that we recognize Moore instead of himself. The next day Mr. Wedge and Mrs. W. were present and the last day Mr. A. Wedge appeared as delegate for the southern M. HORTICULTURAL Society.

Cordially yours

C. F. Gardner

Anoka Minn Oct 25th 1909

R. W. Latham, Minneapolis Minn

Dear Mr Latham

Your letter and circulars
came to hand I am not
very well aquainted with
members in my district
only in this vicinity and
if you could give me a
list of names of members
in different Counties, it
would help me to send out
Circulars. of course I have
last years report but some
may have droped out. I am
very busy now getting ready

for winter. Strawberries are looking fine. I am a Strawberry crank, and do not grow much other fruit in large quantities. I have a lot of Strawberry Seedlings that will fruit next year for the first time, am going to keep at it until I get a good one. I hope we will have a good winter meeting and I am planning to attend the full session.

Yours very truly

H. G. Croat,
Anoka Minn

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Nord Springs Nov 12th 1909

Friend Green Dear Sir

It is hoped you may be generous enough to overlook my sundry imperfections Not only my age and my penmanship as well as a number of other things that you may think had not better been said. I have been on the point of writing you for many weeks past. But have delayed till this evening I have now my 84. birth day. Had about 20 birth day cards sent me from many friends all congratulating

me highly ² for the health
and health I am still enjoying
But not one of these moments
have been sent me from any of
my best friends. This is not
at all strange but there are
some things that appear strange
to me. Thinking you can if
you will help me out in
First. About a year ago I
took no little pains to
write an Art. and send
it to you headed (I think)
Reciprocity Between Zion
and Root Not only hoping
to expect you would
see it was read at your
last annual meeting. If not
to have it published in your
last report. I hear no more of it
This Art. was bearing more
or less on matters our
schemers who are well known
(about here) to do what they can
to hold every thing back

3-
that A would be likely to
enter fear with any thing
they have or or are growing
to put on the market so, perhaps
we have many things to refer to
which if I had the time or
you had the patience to read
I would write you. But if you
will turn to our J. a. B. Rept
page 195. Read the Sec. P -
what there leader has taken
so much care to have your
records (as I claim) to put this
matter of success through the
graffled back for the coming
20 years. Do not fail to read
this Carefully How does
his teaching here agree with
that of your most noted man
in your Soc. Prof. S. H. Finney
Add to Finneys record
Prof. Sanderson of the University
of Wis. Agricultural College

Add to this 4- record our
much learned & reliable
Prof. J. S. Green - our
which lamented friends. He
two, has been following this plan of
securing success by top working
on hardy stock. I need not
say to you that there is a host
of others now falling into this
same line of work to reach
success

In an Art. I wrote a few months
ago I inserted this top working
on hardy stock gives us
the surest the shortest and
the less expensive of any
other known plan. This I
was for some cause) dropped
out. You tell what for
I can't - I think it not necessary
to refer further to this matter
I hope to be excused for so
doing as I deem this a most
important matter to push

What has Top Grafting
 already done for the N. West
 Need I add It has placed
 our feet on a broad step
 somewhere all can en-
 enter and be guaranteed some
 success - Need I add more
 It has given us almost free
 of extra cost the last plank
 that the freshet of 1885 swept
 from us up to this advent
 the bridge to success
 was not only been condoned
 but ~~was~~ had done to attempt
 In August I took my little
 pails to go some two miles
 and get two very fine curly
 desert apples Put them in a
 tin I think sent them to you
 requesting you to test them
 and report. Up to date have
 heard nothing from them

I think this one tree should
be looked up. Is such a tree
not worth \$2000 such a tree
with a million. I have no
corner on this tree. Come & see
We have a dozen or more of
very choice apples stored
in our cellar. Nearly all
of these will keep till May
and better than the N. E.
Greening. All of which are
two or three grades better in
quality. All are full size
Neither blight or drop their
fruit. Now are you going
to come and see or send
your honest Indian. I have
thought this that you would
be quite likely to send a
delegate to our N. E. Hort
held at Charles City 16 & 17
next week. It would be but
little if any out of the way to
go or come by our orchard

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Again if you send a
delegate to our state
I've said delegate can
very likely come here on
his trip can stop over on
train or two or much better
stay over night we have
many things to show any
one who is anxious to see
and learn facts especially
such as our schemes and
seemingly trying to cover
and keep from public notice
(It appears that our friend) Patti
has made it appear that his
matter was brought before
Congress so I thought I'd had
an interview with our
Congress man I went for him
for his helping us such dist
work He was entirely surpris

said He had ⁸⁻ never heard
the first thing of it then after
thinking over the matter he
said if any thing like that
has been done it must have
been through our U.S. Sect.
of Agriculture As Congress
had voted a few thousand
for him to use as he deemed
most beneficial to the public
This makes it all very clear
to me how that ring of behemoths
accomplished such a work
This has astonished nearly
every body in these parts
Our orchard is close to
the Dept and close around
the house. Instead of showing
you a dozen or so pears growing
on the tops of other trees will
be more than pleased to show
you a thousand & give the ink
Come & see Seeing is Believing
Edson Gaylord

Want good to write this?

*This thing is up to you.
He wants delegate meeting
to be at this place.*

Nov. 16, 1909.

Mr. Edson Gaylord,

Nora Springs, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the 12th inst. at hand today, and I am pleased to know that you have reached the ripe age of eighty-four years in health and strength, and still have so much interest in horticultural work. I am surprised that some of your horticultural friends have not noticed the fact that this was your eighty-fourth birthday; but you know that in the rush of life it is very easy to overlook such things, and you must excuse them, I think, on this account rather than from any intentional neglect.

As to your article on "Reciprocity Between Cion and Stock," I turned that article over to Secretary Latham and asked him to find a place for it if he could, and thought best, in our magazine. I have heard nothing from him since in regard to it, but shall ask him to write you what became of the article and whether he intends to use it.

I have made a note of Page 195 of the last Iowa Report and intend to read it. I think that we have probably made a mistake in not pushing more strongly this matter of top-working, for there can be no question but what a hardy stock has a considerable influence upon the hardiness of the cion inserted in it.

*See
Page 293 in
Iowa S. H. Report
Jan 1908-*

Mr. Edson Gaylord #2

I received the two apples that you were good enough to send me in August. I think you referred to them as having been raised by some young ladies in your vicinity. I tested it and had others test it, but we regarded it as being only of fair quality, and felt that we had a number of seedlings that would be of more general value. Of course, if it should prove extremely hardy and prolific it might be especially good for home use. There can be no question but what the introduction of an apple of this kind that was perfectly hardy throughout Minnesota would be worth a large sum to this section.

I wish I could visit you and see this tree, but I think you have little idea of the calls on my time. I seem to have quite a faculty for getting offices. I am now Professor of Horticulture and Forestry, and have seven young men teaching for me. I have three foremen on farms in different portions of the state. I am president of the Farmers' Institute course and head of its connection with the University Extension work. Last year this organization expended funds to the amount of \$23,000 and held over 700 institutes and farmers' meetings. I have a new forest reserve of 2700 acres at Cloquet, that I am getting into shape for a demonstration of what intensive forestry should be. I am a member of the Minnesota Forestry Board and the active member in caring for Itasca Park, where we shall expend this year over \$10,000. I am also President of the State Horticultural Society, as you know. I still write for

Mr. Edson Gaylord #3

Farm and Fireside, and have some duties at home. You will see by this that I have plenty to do. Now, I enjoy doing it all--it is only fun for me; but it takes all my time. In fact, my wife thinks I don't stay at home as much as I ought to. I think I have rather more offices than I am entitled to, and ought to get rid of some of them.

I arranged a year ago to have Mr. Elliott visit your place and he agreed to do so for our Society. We have plenty of means to send a man to your Society to look over these matters, but the trouble is to get just the man we want to do it right.

I hope you will live to be a hundred and enjoy every minute of your life. I wish that you could be with us at our Horticultural convention the second week in December, but I suppose it is too much of a journey for you to make. We have very good meetings, and as you know, a large and ^{enthusiastic} industrious membership.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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State Horticultural Society

Annual Meeting to be held at Des Moines
 December 7, 8 and 9, 1909

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Des Moines, Iowa, September 27, 1909.

A. W. Latham,
 Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

The Report for 1908 is still in the office of the State Printer; when ready will send you a copy.

I do not know whether a delegate will be sent to the Minnesota society this year or not. We have a bone to pick with you for not receiving Prof. Macbride, one of the best men we have in the state, when we arranged to send him as a delegate to your society.

The date are the same this year, 7-10.

Yours truly,





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., 9/28/09.

Wesley Greene, Sec'y.,
Des Moines, Ia.

Dear Sir.-

Your favor of the 27th. inst. at hand. I do not exactly understand what you mean by "we have a bone to pick with you for not receiving Prof. McBride." We should have been very glad indeed to have had Prof. McBride with us at the meeting of two years ago, to which I think you refer, but at the time when notice of his appointment came to us it was impracticable for us to find a place for him on the program as I think I must have written you. Certainly we had not the least thought of giving offense, and have failed ourselves to taken any offense, in fact not only at this but at all other times where the work of the society is concerned. In fact we have "no bone to pick" with anyone and our only purpose is to do the best work we can for the horticultural interests committed to our charge, and in a way to cause as little friction in all directions as possible. Harmony is the keynote in the Minnesota State Horticultural Society and it works out pretty well that way.

If I have unintentionally offended in any way in connection with this matter of Prof. McBride to yourself or the professor kindly overlook it and let us start in again. Please say something of this sort to Prof. McBride also if he has any feeling in the matter. We should be very glad indeed to have him with us at the next meeting, and if we can know it before very long we can easily find a suitable place for him on the program, but as our program is a very diversified one and *like* to be full, even overfull, some little time before going to press is necessary to arrange the matter satisfactory.

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

Yours fraternally,

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Sec'y.

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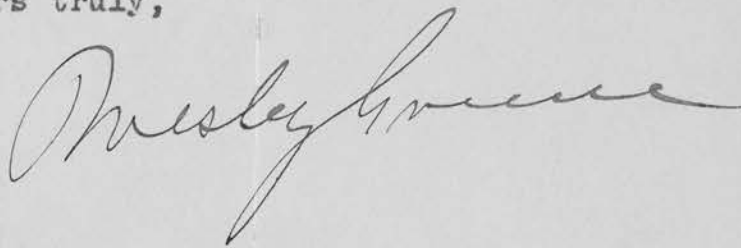
Des Moines, Iowa, 11/9/1909/

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

Dear Sir:-

I have just received word from President Bomberger, announcing the appointment of G. B. Healy, of Sioux City, who will be the delegate from Iowa to the Minnesota Society. You will find Mr. Healy a very pleasant gentleman.

Yours truly,



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Des Moines, Iowa, October 7, 1909.

A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

I have been out of the office for several days which will explain why your letter of Sept. 28 did not receive attention at an earlier date. No one has taken offense at what has been said or done, or was there any thought leading in that direction.

It has always been the custom in this society for its membership to stand aside for a delegate from a sister society, whether on the program or not. That custom does not seem to prevail in Minnesota. Now, please do not be offended when the truth is told. We understand each other better now and trust that none other than the most cordial relations will continue to exist between the societies. Our members will attend the Minnesota meetings in the future as in the past though they may not all have credential letters, but am sure they will receive a cordial welcome, and Iowa will not do less when honored by the attendance of members from Minnesota.

Yours truly,



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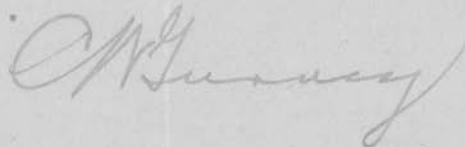
Hon. A.W.Latham

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir :- In transmitting my answers to your enquiries I beg to enclose also a clipping from the Dakota Farmer of August 1. on the subject of drastic laws to govern the dissemination of trees &c. I wrote this at their request. Prof. Hansen writes that he found it so interesting that he would publish it in our forthcoming report.

This whole matter of procuring this law was most ridiculous. and I shall only give you an inkling of it. As presiding officer at our last annual meeting I appointed a committee on legislation. Prof. Hansen, then expected home from Russia soon, as chairman, followed by the name of J.W.Campbell the chairman of the Board of Agriculture, and a strong man Hansen didn't get back in time to act so Campbell was chairman and he, controlling the others went up to Pierre and, as they could do nothing else, they did "that". They reminded me of the party of toughs who lost their cars crossing above Niagara falls and were surely drifting to death. Like others in a pinch they become suddenly religious and tried to pray or sing a psalm but none could do it, so, in order to do "something religious" they "took up a collection".

Very Truly Yours,





The Minnesota State Rose Society

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Oct 1-1904.

Mr. A. St. Lathan,

Dear Sir,

In answer to your letter

I think it is very nice for you to give the
Rose Society a place on your Programme

I think they get more real good from that
than from any other way. Have you any
one in mind that would be nice to go on
our Programme. On any topic you would like
to bring out through the Rose Society. Having
Mr. Wirth on our Programme last year made
quite a hit for us. and I think it helped us
quite a little. I have not seen Mrs. Ruff some
Fair time but will try and see her also come
into your office some time next week. I have
been very busy since Fair time. Yours in the work.
Mrs F H Gibbs Sec

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A. W. Lathan,
207 Kasota Block, Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:-

I have just dug up your letter of Sept. 3rd in regard to a nurseryman's session at the annual meeting, and find that I have not answered you. I must plead guilty to negligence I put the letter in my pocket when I received it, expecting to see Mr. Wedge in a few days and take it up with him but I did not see him as expected and the letter was mislaid. In regard to topics for the programme, will say that most any topic bearing on the propagation of nursery stock will be interesting to nurserymen but I think they should be chosen with a view to the general interest of all who might be present. For instance, "The Value of Grape Vines to the Minn. Planter" might be discussed with profit and I would like to see that burden imposed on Mr. Wedge. He has had considerable experience in the propagation of grapes and particularly the Beta variety. Grape Vines grow so successfully around Minnetonka, that I do not think it advisable to choose a man from that section for this topic. The people of this state, and particularly the southern part, are beginning to realize that commercial orchards pay well especially when there is enough of one good variety planted to make it an object to ship. It might be well to assign some nurseryman who has had experience in raising apples for the market, and who will give a fair, unbiased talk, a topic something like this, "The Best varieties of Apple to Plant in Minnesota for Commercial Orcharding." I would not know to whom to assign this topic. There are a number of good men but the majority would boost the variety in which they were interested, and spoil the whole thing. Mr. Wedge would be the exception but he cannot take care of all. I trust you will pardon me, if I leave off here. You have been so successful in working those matters out, that some of us feel that we better allow you to continue in your good work.

Hoping you will pardon the delayed reply, I am,

TEC/AM

Very cordially yours,

Thos E Cashman

CHARLES F. GARDNER, *Pres't.*
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Osage, Iowa, Sept. 25 - 1909.

A. W. Lathorn
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend Lathorn

Yours of 9-23-09. at hand. The
address of the President of our State Society is
W. M. Bomberger, Harlan, Iowa. I am the secretary
of the N. E. Society. The plans for the meeting of the
N. E. Society are not complete, as yet; I will let you
know as soon as arrangements are completed. I hope
to be ^{with} you at your winter meeting.

Very cordially,
Chas. F. Gardner

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723 Globe Building, St. Paul

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St. Anthony Park, Minn.

Minnesota State Rose Society

This society is an auxiliary to the Minnesota State Horticultural Society and any one paying \$1.00 to this society becomes a member of both societies

The next meeting of the Minnesota State Rose Society will be held at

The country home of Mrs D.W.C. Ruff.
Bald Eagle Lake. Sat Aug 14th Summer
Meeting + picnic. Come prepared to
talk gardening + about your latest hobby
N. Pacific Trains leave St Paul. 9⁰⁰ A.M.
1⁵⁰ P.M. Bald Eagle 5. 26 P.M.
(Basket picnic.) Mrs F.H. Gibbs Sec.

Please come and bring your friends.

Stone Springs, Iowa,
Nov. 18, 1908.

A. W. Latham or

Mr. Hyman Elliott,

207 Kasota Block,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir, - When
my brother and I visited
the State Fair in Minne-
apolis in 1906, we spoke of
a steel cut of my father
which was used in a
biography of him in the
Minne^{ota}polis Horticulturist of
March 1901 - Vol. 29 - No 3.

We were told we could have it to bring home by calling at the Kasota office. We did, but the clerks thought we had better write for it; as you were not in. I have neglected to do this until now, but we would be grateful if you would express them at our expense.

Yours respectfully,
Vienna H. Gaylord,
Aurora Springs,
Iowa.

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6.23.09

Victoria, Minn.

June 21. 1909

A. W. Latham Esq.

My dear Sir:—

Enclosed please find
25 cts, postamps
for Horticulture
dinner ticket.

With kind greetings,
Yours friend of Old,
Henry Gerdson

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6.21.09

Anoka Minn June 21st 1909

Mr A. W. Latham,

Dear Sir

I hand you check for .50 cts for two dinner tickets as we expect to attend meeting. I will probably have some Strawberries to exhibit and will send list later in the week can hardly tell what I will have yet as they have not commenced opening yet

Yours very truly
H. G. Groat

Yankton Nursery

Yankton, South Dakota,
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YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA June 7. 1909

Hon. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir :- I have yours of the 5. but did not get it till after my return from Brookings or would have taken it up with him.

He is doing a great work there and is, as I gathered from him, and owing to insufficient appropriations doing overwork and he looks haggard and bad. He has aged very perceptibly since he left for his last trip abroad.

He has 100 000 alfalfa seedlings obtained from such an extreme high latitude that in some cases the ground never thaws in Summer, and some from the Sahara desert in Africa. These plants are germinated by artificial heat (I think) and then transplanted into trays, where they grow several inches high and then transplanted into the open ground in rows 14 inches apart and 8 " in the row.

If there were sufficient appropriation these plants would go to the public next year but as it is they will go the sub stations first and then be sent out which will take two years longer.

I noticed many specimens of pears, Apples, peaches and cherries growing in the green house the product of crosses. One a peach a cross between a peach and a Sand cherry looks good and peach as large as a walnut.

Prof. Hansen holds you and the society in high regard and will always do what he can in your behalf

Very Truly Yours,

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Minneapolis Minn.

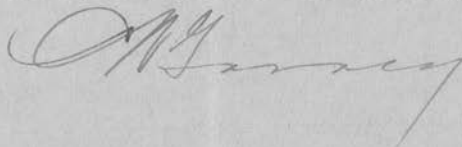
Dear Sir :- I have yours of the 2. and the proof .I think I am satisfied with this and herewith I return proof.

I think I came very near the end and presume this will not be published till the November issue.

If the photograph sent you from the studio recently is mounted you may keep it if you wish to. If not and you will return it to me I will have it mounted and returned to you.

I am going to Brookings tomorrow to stay a few days and see what they are doing there. I am intending to go to St. Anthony Park sometime this Summer. I wish you could be with me at Brookings.

Very Truly Yours,





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Mr. A. W. Latham, Dear Sir. I am sending you the name of J. P. Brown Excelsior Minn for the Minn State Rose Soc. will you please enter it on your book. I am looking forward to the Summer Meeting. Will see you there.

Sincerely
Mrs. F. G. Gibbs Sec.

Please come and bring your friends.

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Osage, Iowa, June 2 1909.

Hon. A. W. Latham,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend.

Your letter by some mischance did not come to my notice until now. I now hasten to reply. I send you a plate of myself by to-days ^{mail} ~~express~~. I thank you for the compliments expressed in your letter of the 5-13 1909. It has been a grand season for growing plants and nursery stock is doing finely. Heavy sales have been made for the season. Hope this will find you well. Again thanking you for your kindness I am very truly yours

Chas F. Gardner.

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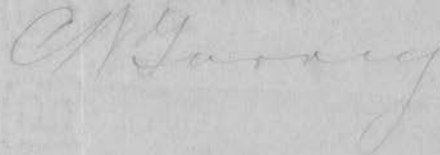
Kasota Block

Dear Sir :- I have your favor of the 27. I find there was an error in the address of that letter of the 15 inst. It was "J.W." instead of "A.W." I have today written your postmaster asking him to place it in your box if still at that office.

In regard to the dark photograph if the plate is not good on that account I would not use it. I am sending you another photograph of myself today, lighter and if it will work better kindly have another plate made at my expense and discard the other.

I consider the Montana letter very important ammunition in making the fight which I am going to on their peculiar law which was cunningly framed to make Montana the paradise of fakirs and rules out the Catalog houses which are the only real practical obstacle that he bumps up against outside of the Horticultural societies.

Very Truly Yours,



The Ocean House.

H. W. Sams, Prop.

New Smyrna Florida.

New Smyrna, Fla., May 20 1909

Dear Suttom;

I have been up to Daytona and had an evening and a day with the Horticulturalists, and had send you their program. They had Armory Hall well filled yesterday forenoon. Are all coming here on a steamer, lunch & auto excursion (15 miles) to arrive at about eleven A.M., have a spread at this hotel then get back for an afternoon or evening session. What they call Halifax River from Daytona to New Smyrna is nothing but the Upper Indian River, and neither one is a river, but only a long sound, with inlets from the sea, which here is a mile and a half away. The sail & scenery

PROGRAM

Florida State Horticultural Society

May 18, 19, 20 and 21, 1909

DAYTONA

TUESDAY, MAY 18

7:30 p. m.

1. CALL TO ORDER, President Wm. C. Richardson
2. OPENING PRAYER.
3. ADDRESS OF WELCOME, Hon. E. W. Greene.
4. RESPONSE, Prof. H. Harold Hume.
5. PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.
6. INTRODUCTION OF QUESTION BOX.
7. SOCIAL HOUR.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

8:30 a. m.

8. Address, "What the Experiment Station is Doing for the Fruit and Vegetable Growers."
Prof. P. H. Rolfs, Gainesville.
9. Methods of Handling Citrus Groves.
B. F. Chilton, New Smyrna. Dr. J. F. Corrigan, St. Leo.
J. E. Kilgore, Largo. Hermann Lubrecht, Island Grove.
10. Irrigation.
A. H. Bourley, Leesburg. W. F. Holmes, Daytona.
H. B. Stevens, DeLand.
11. Address, "Irrigation in Florida."
Prof. Milo B. Williams, Washington. D. C.
12. Tropical Fruits.
E. N. Reasoner, Oneco. R. D. Hoyt, Seven Oaks.
E. V. Blackman, Miami.

2:00 p. m.

13. Report from Committee Visiting California.
14. Methods of Packing and Shipping Citrus Fruit.
E. P. Porcher, Cocoa. Dr. F. W. Inman, Winter Haven.
E. H. Mote, Ocala. J. D. Bell, St. Petersburg.
S. C. Warner, Palatka.

15. Efforts to Secure Better Shipping Facilities and Rates.

J. C. Chase, Jacksonville. L. B. Skinner, Dunedin.
F. D. Warner, Gainesville.

7:30 p. m.

16. Address, "Hardy Citrus Fruits."
Prof. Walter T. Swingle, Washington, D. C.
17. Address, "Yellow Spotting of Citrus Leaves."
Prof. B. F. Floyd, Gainesville.
18. Insects and Diseases.
E. S. Hubbard, Federal Point. E. S. Williams, Ft. Pierce.
G. M. Wakelin, Tavares. Dr. Ernst Bessey, Miami.
Prof. H. S. Fawcett, Gainesville.
19. Address, "Economic Value of Birds to the Farmer and Fruit Grower."
Prof. M. F. Blackman, Winter Park.

THURSDAY, MAY 20.

8:30

20. Excursion.

2 p. m.

21. Election of Officers.
22. Report of Officers.
23. Report of Committees.
24. Address, "Marketing Citrus Fruits."
Mr. Josiah Varn.
25. Address, "Citrus Fruits in Cuba."
Mr. O. W. Connor.

7:30 p. m.

26. Address, "Modern Methods of Packing Oranges."
Prof. Lloyd S. Tenney, Washington, D. C.
27. Ornamentals.
B. H. Alden, DeLand. H. Nehrling, Gotha.
H. S. Pennock, Neptune. Miss T. H. Hart, Federal Point.
28. Address "Native and Other Trees for Shade Purpose."
Prof. H. Harold Hume, Glen Saint Mary.

29. **Address, "Translocation of Plant Food, Constituents in the Plant and Their Functions in Developing and Maintaining Growth."**

Mr. J. S. Carroll, Atlanta, Ga.

FRIDAY, MAY 21.

9:00 a. m.

30. **Peaches and Deciduous Fruits.**

J. Y. McKinney, Candler, A. C. Haynes, DeLand.
W. E. Pabor, Jacksonville. Maj. W. L. Floyd, Gainesville.

31. **Fertilizers.**

S. H. Gaitskill, McIntosh. B. H. Bridges, Tallahassee.
Mrs. F. C. Prange, Vero.

32. **Address, "Formula Work."**

Mrs. F. C. Prange, Vero.

33. **Nuts.**

W. D. Griffing, Jacksonville. H. E. VanDeman, Washington.

34. **Vegetables.**

A. A. Finnie, Coleman. J. Brown, Hypoluxo.
W. C. Bentley, Winter Haven. Wm. Gist, McIntosh.

35. **Final Resolutions.**

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YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA May 24. 1909

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Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir :- On the 15 inst I wrote you about the Montana
Inspection tree law and sent you a letter received from the Secretary
of the State Board of Horticulture in which he denounces the Nursery
men as a "lot of unscrupulous rascals" I asked you to return this
letter and as I have not heard from you I feel anxious about that let-
ter. I wish to use it as a weapon with which to attack their law.
Please tell me if you have received it and oblige

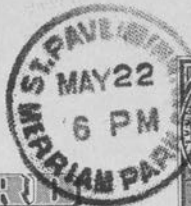
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enter the following names for the Rose Society
Mrs. S. W. Randenbush 189 Lincoln Ave St Paul Minn
Mrs Henry C. Boyson 350 Minnesota St St Paul Minn

Thanking you for same. I am Sincerely
Mrs. F. K. Gibbs Sec.

Please come and bring your friends.

The Ocean House.

F. W. Sams, Prop.

New Smyrna Florida.

New Smyrna, Fla., May 18 1909

Dear Latham: Here I am on my way to Daytona to stagger in to what is probably the last of my regular annual holidays attending State Horticultural meetings. Did not go to Gainesville you are - too far away. Thought St. Petersburg was my last two years ago. Stopped off here tonight to see an optician I know (of his wife) to get my glasses changed. I was glad to have your letter handed me yesterday morning at Melbourne. In same bunch was a letter from the Pres. of the Florida Antislavery, which reminds me to look at my record when I get back to New York to see if I sent you a "4 in L" one per year or one for the library.

If not, will put you on
Weather now is fully summer
& perfectly lovely

This is one of the Old
towns; dates back to the time
about when Jonathan Carver
got his lead for your
region, or West L.P.O. It
was cutting the Chazy line
Roads all hard & smooth
young men ride their autos
and young nigger rides a
wheel. Old folks go a
foot; that is the old
men do, no old women
to be seen. If there were
any they have gone north
Some who stay seem to
have found what Colonel
Ponce de Leon was looking

for -
I am to hear Mr. Owen is
in trouble physically. He and
I never hitched well; but
I respect him, & hope he
will get up & go on as usual
my wife is going after the
meeting - No ^{then} ^{can} ^{not} ^{you} ^{with}
this summer Old Billy

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OLIVER GIBBS,

Located (for the extension of life beyond seventy-six, and for better health, in congenial employment, the idea of service in horticulture being kept in mind) in Brevard County, on the East bank of the Indian River 200 miles South of Jacksonville, nearly opposite and in full view of Melbourne, trading point and East Coast Railway.

BASHAN

Is the name of my place, in compliment to the original proprietor of the ancient Bashan, the desolation of whose grounds and vineyards was done by the Israelites and mourned for by Isaiah, and which being restored by Solomon was set apart as a province to feed the King's household—Bashan "toward the sun rising" watered by brooks of the Mt. of Olives; my Bashan is situated half a mile north of the postoffice called

Melbourne Beach, Florida,.....190

eleotatus (altitudes) tree & plant growth - saying
'is different from what it is down in
Brevard County along the river

On the tables here are very good fresh
picked Hart's Late oranges. From here
up to Jacksonville they talk more about
cold spells than we do a hundred miles
further south

I have seen few roses at either Daytona
or New Smyrna, but the Hubbards from
Federal Point, over on the St. Johns
River, bought their own supply, picked in
that mass and they are decorated with
the best rose buds & blossoms I ever saw

They told me they were reading your
Annual Report & the Magazine with
interest. Mother & daughter said they were
very much interested in the both, especially
the Monsoon Appilly Dept. Tell Miss
White this. They both heard her and I
met another Florida woman yesterday who had

east to me
been or is

I shall stay here this forenoon to
meet & mix again; then take the
2.30 train for Melbourne and
be home in the Royal Palace of
Og. before sundown this evening.

You will see from the Program
what is on their minds. Later
on I presume you will have
reports you may read their proceedings

I hope to find another ripe
lead & a ripe watermelon
when I reach Bushen. It may
seem odd to you that I shall
be alone to enjoy the subject, but
"Sich's life". One can be
alone & not lonely, do you hear?

Regards to Mrs. Latham & Miss White
& thanks to Prof Green for getting me
another nice letter from you

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Melbourne Beach, Florida, May 1 1909

Dear Prof. Green

Thank you for yours of the 26th containing so much good news & news, and for the evidence given me in the closing lines that you are really what Epictetus would call "an instructed person" And if you will turn to page 19 in "The Garden in Literature" (booklet 1908) or pages 193-4 of the Minn. Hort. Report 1884, and read again the wisdom of Solomon, you will acquire merit by further instruction.

Of course you already understand what was meant by Walt Whitman when he said "I am not contained between my hat & my boots". Old Walt could live alone and never need to say as Rosalind's lover did, "I can no longer live by thinking".

Mr. Ryckman will not walk the grand rounds with you via Ocean Beach next time. He walked the way of Nature a few days ago (cerebral hemorrhage) and we sent his body home to Proctor, N.Y.

I knuckled off & walked it myself this afternoon. See Psalm 22—verse 12. If I void water

Search of Agn. culture

I am unable to find any mention of the National-
of the "Star Jessamines". Where I have it growing
is in front of the house, where I planted it to
run over the Oak. Small flora of the S. S.
United States does not mention it, and
Reynolds' Catalogue ¹⁹⁰⁹ does not say where
it comes from. Mrs. Hubbard of Federal
Point put it at the head of her list
of climbing plants two years ago, and
writes that it runs all over her house

Have you got the new sectional
map of Florida, just out? If not, a postal
card request will get it from Hon. B. C.
McLain, Tallahassee. Possibly I had you
on a list I sent him a while ago,
before it came out.

I wish this Sunday afternoon, &c.; it is cloudy &
cold, with a stiff breeze from N. W.
P.S. an old Catalogue of Reynolds' Hort. credits the
R. J. (Star J.) to China

Cambridge

Mass.

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Sent
4.27.09

March 1 - 09

A. W. Latham Esq.
Mpls Minn

Dear Sir:-

Please find
enclosed \$1⁰⁰ for one
copy "Popular Fruit Growing"
350 pages. Cloth bound.

Yours Resp.

Peter Graft
Cambridge
Minn.

✓ 1.00
sent 7.27.09

Janesville Minn
Jan 8, 1909

A W. Latham:

Enclosed

please find \$1 for which
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*In C. W. Latham Dear Sir. I am sending
you a new name for The Rose Society*

Mrs H. C. Lockstader Highwood Bradley St Station

*Have you Mrs. Louise Volbrucht, S. Robert
and Beetle St. St Paul. I could not
find here address but this is correct.*

Please come and bring your friends.

*Yours sincerely
Mrs Gibbs Sec.*



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garages for the Rose Soc.

Mr L. C. Jefferson 1126 Summit Ave St Paul
Mrs Frank Lilygras 75-6 Ashland Ave St Paul
Mrs C. C. Currie 1973 St Anthony Ave St. Anthony Park
Mrs H. O. Chamberlin 335-2 Irving Ave S. Minneapolis
I may have sent the last name yours in the work

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Minneapolis Minn (Kasota Block)

My Dear Sir :- I have y ur kind letter of the 15. I have not exactly what you ask for but may be I can give you something that is "Just as good" . I am enclosing the impression of two plates which I have, and they are in St. Joe Mo. but I have just written t them to send to you by express immediately. I have no late photograph and havent time now to sit still long enough to have one taken.

If this will not answer , in your judgement , and you will let me know immediately I will have the photograph taken any way.

With Best Wishes I am

Very Truly Yours,



P.S. Since writing the above I have found an old engraving from photograph of self taken 10 years ago and send it by mail today. I see it is adamaged but may be some of the experts p there can repair it. I also send the other picture which I call simply "Home". Not a very costly or magnificent one but it its true sense I might say I know of worse ones.

I send you my catalogs for 1908-9.

OWATONNA, MINN. Apr 2 1909

Minnesota State Horticulture Society
A. W. Latham Sec. y. Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find draft
for one dollar to pay for the "Minnesota Horticulturist"
for 1909.

I did mean to attend to this matter
before now, but Mr. Glaser has passed away, and
that is why I have neglected to do some things as
they should be done. I shall continue taking the
"Horticulturist" in my husband's name, for he
took so much interest in this work.

Very Respectfully
Mrs. Jacob Glaser
Owatonna
Minn