



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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STATE FAIR OF 1910 SEPTEMBER 5 TO 10.

TELEPHONES { NORTHWESTERN MIDWAY 6.  
TRI-STATE PARK 6021.

J. M. UNDERWOOD,  
PRESIDENT

Lake City, Minn. April 4th, 1910.

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

Dear Friend:

You bet we are busy. This hot weather is bringing on our work all in a bunch. The first Tulips in bloom to-day; first Asparagus cut; have had Pieplant for a week.

I am mighty glad that your health is better and that you have courage to go on with the horticultural exhibit. Don't worry about the exhibition space. We will stay in the old building, if we can, but don't think for a minute that we can't put up a fine exhibit in the Main Building. Supposing you had the wall space packed solid with fruit in boxes, reaching from the floor, beginning at the aisle and extending up to the ceiling, and against the wall indifferent colored boxes, similar to the exhibits last fall of Western fruit, it would look as tho we grew apples in Minn. I don't see what you find to admire in the old tables that we have been using so long, but at the next meeting of the Board, I am going to see if I can't get them to let Horticulture and Floriculture stay back in the corner where you are so anxious to stay, and take Agriculture over to the best location on the ground. If I don't succeed, you may consider yourself lucky to have the best position.

Can you give me the name of the man out at Excelsior who wanted work on the Fair Grounds? (I have it Pettijohn)

With best wishes, I am,

As ever, your friend,

J. M. Underwood

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3/15-10

A. W. Latham

Mpls

Dear Mr. Inland you  
will find I enclose for  
\$2.00 for Renewal of my  
Subscription to the Horticulturist  
and member ship fee  
also for C. J. Thomas  
of France, Bklyn  
Send for Premium Vegetable  
Gardening Send Premium  
3 & 4 to ack of us  
yours  
E L Thomas

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Friend Latham:

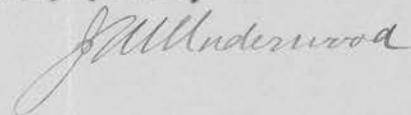
Here is a letter from John Howard. What shall I say to him? I want to submit it to the Board, particularly in regard to the tent matter.

I know that Cosgrove is talking that we can't raise our Premium List any this year, but he sees improvements that are necessary to be made on the grounds, involving thousands of dollars. Now it is true we haven't any money on hand, and the only show for our paying premiums will be to get it out of the receipts of the coming fair. I would like to be reasonable, and where the premium list is unquestionably lower than it should be I would like to raise it, and where improvements on the grounds are absolutely necessary for the appearance of the grounds, they should be made, and I am willing to go in debt for it.

I think it would be well to put these matters up to Mr. Craig and get him interested, and other members of the Board. I think that Cosgrove's education started in with seeing how big a show we could make for the least amount of money. As you know, I have argued now for several years that the Legislature ought to furnish us our equipment and allow us to spend our earnings on the maintenance of the grounds and then give the balance to the exhibitors. If we could do this we would have a much finer exhibit in all departments.

There is a meeting of the Board called to take up the Premium List on the 15th. Be sure and have the Horticultural end of it fixed up for that date.

Cordially yours,



IN SENDING IN NAME OF NEW MEMBER, IF CONVENIENT PLEASE FILL OUT AND USE THE FOLLOWING FORM

3 - 24 ✓ 1910

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

Dear Sir:

Please enter the name of *C. E. Fergenson*

Post-office, *Deering, N. D.*, as a member of the

society, for which I enclose \$1.00, the annual fee. Beside the Report and

Magazine, you may send him plant premiums Nos. *19*

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

book: *Evergreens and how to Grow Them.*

Signed *C. E. Fergenson*

Post-office *Deering, N. D.*

SEND TO THE SECRETARY FOR MORE OF THESE FORMS AS NEEDED.

## Will Not You Send

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## Lend a Hand!

## Lindell Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church

CORNER LINDELL AND NEWSTEAD AVENUES.

Saint Louis,

March, the 5th.

My dear Mr. Latham:-

Pardon my delay in answering yours of the 10th February. Yes, of course I wish to continue my membership and herewith enclose my One Dollar for the same.

I am recently elected the General Secretary of the Methodist Brotherhood, with office in New York City. It is not quite certain just where I may finally determine to live, and will not be decided until December, probably. From early in April until the time when I go to my cottage at Lincoln for my summer rest in early July I will be on the wing and my family scattered and no stated post office address.

For this reason, will you kindly discontinue sending me the "Horticulturist" until about the first of July and then send it to Lincoln, Morrison County, Minn.

Please send me the membership ticket, "Vegetable Gardening" and the bound volume-1909 here- 4412 Lindell Ave., St. Louis, as I will be here until about the 10th April and can get them.

I think you neglected to enclose the folder showing the plant premiums- at least I do not find it in the letter. Please select for me something that will grow with little care and send to Mr. R. Bergstrom, Lincoln, Minn. and I will write him to set out for me properly. I assume you will not send these plants until spring opens.

I am a very busy man and now with a much greater work on my hands than ever I will be far more so; but my two months in the woods in Morrison County and my experiments with my trees and garden are the most delightful of my year. Of course, ~~being~~ not being able to give them close personal attention complicated results somewhat, but what I am able to get is far better than nothing.

Very truly yours,

Fayette L. Thompson

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*Math Tschida 29/10/1910*

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

Dear Sir:

Please enter the name of *Mike Brutz*  
Post-office, *St. Cloud R.R. 6.*, as a member of the  
society, for which I enclose \$1.00, the annual fee. Beside the Report and  
Magazine, you may send him plant premiums Nos. *4*

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

Signed

Post-office

*Math Tschida*  
*St. Cloud, R.R. 3*  
SEND TO THE SECRETARY FOR MORE OF THESE FORMS AS NEEDED. *Min*

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THE TRI-STATE TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Feb. 16, 1910.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Secy.,  
Minn. State Horticultural Society,  
207 Kasota Blk., City.

Dear Sir:

Replying to yours of January 26th, the same was referred to the Contract Department and was just at this time referred to me to answer.

The bill which we rendered for installing telephone #265 on December 6, 1909, amounting to \$4.95 was to cover the cost of installing, \$4.00 for one months rental and interurban toll of 15¢, a total of \$9.10.

It has been our custom when installing temporary service to charge the subscriber what it actually cost us to install and in addition to charge for the service rendered together with the tolls. You can readily see that if we only made you a flat charge of \$2.00 that we would be out \$2.95 on the installing charge alone.

I propose to adjust this matter by billing you \$4.95 for installing, \$1.00 for the service and 15¢ for tolls, making \$6.10 in all and believe that this is a reasonable and just charge. The wires which were installed a year ago, as I understand it from our Construction Department, were taken down through some necessary changes. It was therefore necessary for us to install new wires at this time.

Yours truly,

Tri-State Tel. & Tel. Co.

By



Manager.

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*Hammond Wis. Jan. 12* ✓ *1910*

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

Dear Sir:

Please enter the name of *Robert Searle*

Post-office, *Hammond Wis.*, as a member of the

society, for which I enclose \$1.00, the annual fee. Beside the Report and Magazine, you may send him plant premiums Nos. *4, & 8* ✓

For my premium in securing this new member please ✓ send me the following

book: *Small fruit culturist* <sup>add 50c to check to pay</sup>  
*the Bal. on the Book*

Signed *A. P. Thayer*

Post-office *Hammond Wis.*

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*1.12.10*

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LAKE CITY, MINN.

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Feb. 5th, 1910.

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

Dear Friend:

Your favor of the 4th in the interest of Prof. Snyder received. It places me in a very bad situation. As you know Mr. Collins aspires to receive the appointment. He has been down here and I have pledged him my support, and have been writing letters in his interest. He told me that Prof. Green was seeking to bring about the appointment of Mr. Webb of The Farmer, and I wrote to Green yesterday and suggested that he better withdraw his support from Mr. Webb and give it to Collins, if he had not gone so far that he could not do it. And, now it seems that it is not Webb but Snyder that is wanted.

It seems to me that Collins is a most worthy man for the position. He is bright, intelligent, forceful and aggressive. I believe he would do more for the Agricultural School than any other man the Governor could appoint.

I dislike more than I can express to be at all at variance with the wishes of Prof. Green, but what can I do? If I had known that the Professor wanted Snyder before committing my support to Collins, I should have been very glad to have given my support to Snyder, for he is a splendid man and no doubt would be acceptable to the general public, and a strong man on the board, altho I honestly believe that Collins is the best man that has been mentioned. Think it over and talk it over and see if you can't join in his support. He telephoned me this morning that everything seems pointing his way, and he wants all those who took part on our side at the State Fair election to help him, and we certainly are under obligations to him and not to Snyder.

Cordially yours,

*J. M. Underwood*

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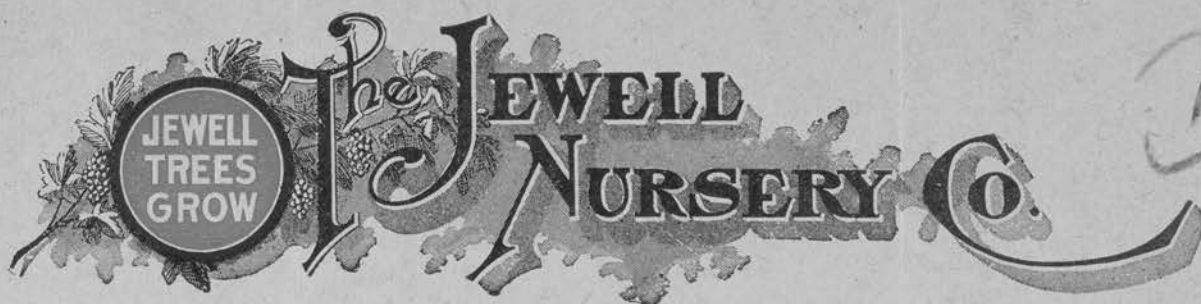
A. W. Latham, Esq.,  
207 Kasota Blk.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Latham:

I have forwarded the recommendation of Prof. Snyder to the next on the list, Clarence Wedge, with my explanation of why I cannot endorse him. I do not share in your feeling that his candidacy will nowise interfere with Mr. Collins. I do not see how we can ask the Governor to appoint Nelson, Collins and Snyder, when there are already Pres. Northrup and Mr. Smith on the Board from Minneapolis. I should think that it would be more to Prof. Green's advantage and your own to support Mr. Collins than anyone else, and I feel it my duty to do so on the behalf of both of you. Green wants a good deal of support in his Forestry scheme and other interests that Collins can help or hinder.

Very cordially yours,

*J. M. Underwood*



LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

NE

Jan. 29th, 1910.

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

Dear Friend:

Enclosed with this you will find a letter from Mrs. L.R. Moyer in response to my letter to her asking her to pay the Federation dues for the Woman's Auxiliary, which the Executive Board last Sept. voted should be paid at the beginning of the year and not just before the meeting. Will you kindly see that the amount of \$1.35 is remitted to her. Enclosed with this you will find 25¢ in postage stamps, my dues, towards paying the \$1.35.

This Woman's Auxiliary is something in a way like a "white elephant" on our hands, which statement you will understand probably from conversation you have had with Miss White. It has been impossible for either one of us to work up a large enthusiastic club and perhaps our Woman's Auxiliary may have outlived in a way its usefulness. The last time I saw Miss White we decided that we would not hold an annual meeting, when the Horticultural Society met, because our call for attendance never brought out more than 1/2 dozen, and a year ago last December, I think Miss White said there were not more than 3 or 4 present, and they apparently there thru curiosity.

One thing that has rather held us back in the way of getting dues, was the fact that all members of the Horticultural Society and their wives are understood as members of the Woman's Auxiliary, and that an extra fee is not necessary. I think that the idea of the Auxiliary is a first class one, but the past years have not developed the best methods to follow to give it prominence and to increase its size. I wish you and Miss White would talk this over at your leisure. Perhaps you have already, and some time when I am up in the city will try to talk this over with you, or perhaps at the next summer meeting will be time enough. In the mean time will you see that Mrs. Moyer is reimbursed for the \$1.35?

Cordially yours,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.

Stimiseg Junction, Minn., 1/28/10.

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Ms. A. W. Latham,  
Mpls. Minn.

Dear Sir: - I enclose herewith P.M. order  
for \$3.<sup>10</sup> and the names of 3 new  
members, with their address and  
premiums selected by them:

	Premiums:
Mr. Paul van Thissingen, Stillerdal, Minn.,	#6 and 9.
- J. O. Feragen, " "	#8 " 10.
- Johannes Jonsson, " "	#3 " 3.

(S) (also please send Mr. Jonsson pkt. of apples.)

They will of course also receive "Trees, Fruits and  
Flowers of Minn." and The Minn. Horticulturist for 1910.

Respectfully  
Theo. Singdahl

P. P.

When I sent in my own membership-fee,  
- sometime in Dec. last, - did not select any  
premium; if not too late, please put me down  
for #3 double (8 root grafts of Florence crab).  
and copy of last years "Trees, Fruits and Flowers of Minn."

S.S. (over)

Kindly send me the following two  
Premium books:

(Vegetable Gardening, paper bound  
Popular Fruit Growing, cloth bound.

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*St Cloud Jan 22* 1910

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

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Post-office, *St Cloud, R.R. 3*, as a member of the

society, for which I enclose \$1.00, the annual fee. Beside the Report and Magazine, you may send him plant premiums Nos. *4*

For my premium in securing this new member please send me the following book: *(Select one for me)*

Signed *Smith, Toohidley*

Post-office *St Cloud, R.R. 3*

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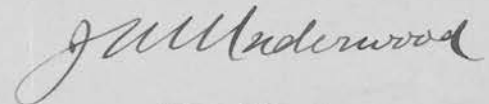
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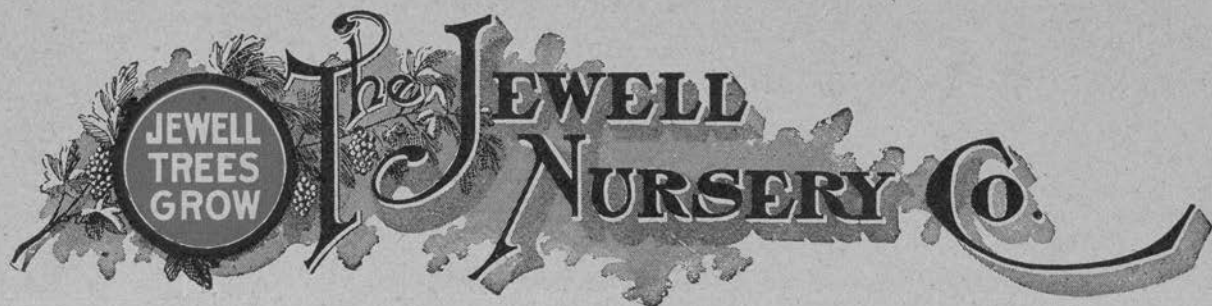
I received your favor while at the meeting Tuesday. We had a strenuous session and I did not have time to talk matters over with the Superintendents of different departments. I gave the department of Agriculture and Horticulture to Mr. Craig of Duluth, thinking that you would want to be relieved of the work, but he told me that he should want to retain the same persons who have been in charge, as he did not feel that he knew anything about it, and would be very glad to have their assistance and mine too. So that if you want to go right on as you have been doing, there will not be any difficulty in doing so. I will write Mr. Craig and tell him that if he sees fit to retain you, that that is the thing to do. He will doubtless keep Mr. Redpath, but I will send him your letter and let him do business with you.

Yes, I saw your article in the Press regarding the State Societies, and I thot it was very good indeed. I saw the moon over my right shoulder this month and everything has been coming my way. I could have hugged you and hugged myself Tuesday at the result of our meeting.

Cordially yours,



President.



LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

ABU-NE

Jan. 21st, 1910.

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

Dear Friend:

Your favor of some time ago was duly received but was not attended to owing to absence from home and otherwise rather strenuous month, which you undoubtedly understand.

I enclose with this the paper you ask for. I was in hopes to be able to elaborate and explain a little more, but it would necessitate waiting some time for the leisure that I have not at present, so I will send it to you as it is. Trust it will come out in the next issue, if possible, as I have had two or three inquiries already to know where it could be obtained.

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 207 Kasota Block,  
 Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend:

It is astonishing how intense the feeling is in the matter of the election. The people seem so enthusiastically happy over the result that almost for the first time I am happy myself. Even the opposition greeted me most cordially in the lobby of the Merchants, holding on to my hand and saying that while they were against me, now they are for me and that I am all right; it wasn't that they were opposed to me but that they were committed to Furlong.

I attended the memorial service of Col. Liggett at the Farm School yesterday and made a short talk, and then went over to the Fair Grounds and took up the matter of Superintendents with Cosgrove. He expected of course that you would continue to superintend horticulture. I told him what you said, and we canvassed the matter as to what to do in case you are certain that you ought not to retain the position. Of course if you feel that your health and that your interests would permit, nothing would please us better than to make you superintendent. In the other event, I suggested to Cosgrove that we make Geo. Strand superintendent of Horticulture, or what I would like to do would be to make Mr. Craig of Duluth Supt. of the Building and then give him an assistant. But Cosgrove says, "Not Strand, he is my son-in-law and there would be criticism again, and I absolutely want to cut out all opportunity for criticism". The next person I thot of was either Stuart Elliot or Tom Redpath. We meet to organize next Tuesday and I would like to hear from you before then with your suggestions.

We had a great victory, especially when we consider the splendid organization that the opposition had and the total lack of organization on our part. If we had organized as we should have done we would have wiped them off the map the first thing, and it is a miracle that the result is as it is.

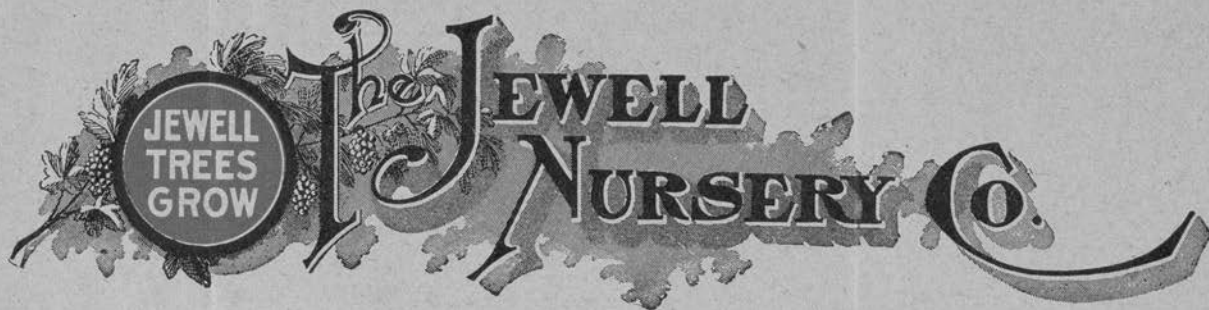
Very cordially yours,

*J. M. Underwood*  
 President.

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TWELVE HUNDRED ACRES



LAKE CITY, MINNESOTA

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Jan. 17th, 1910.

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

My dear Latham:

Your proposition to the nurserymen to secure membership is all right. The Jewell Nursery Co. will do what they can.

Cordially yours,

*J. H. Underwood*

O.K.

Doubtful

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Aitkin  
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 Martin  
 Meeker  
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 Yellow Medicine  
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Blue Earth  
 Dodge  
 Faribault  
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Dec. 18th, 1909.

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

Dear Friend:

I promised to call you up and tell you about the meeting, but I was so hoarse I couldn't talk over the telephone. After disposing of some regular business that came before the Board, the question of the Presidency and the newspaper reports was taken up and discussed at length. Mr. Lee was distressed and disgusted to find ~~that~~ such damaging reports against every member of the Board, and he felt it was highly important that we should take steps to stop them. Nelson thought that we ought to put our hands in our pockets and reimburse the state the money that Furlong had been paid. Lee thought that we ought to get together and one or the other of us pull out and stop the scrapping, and if we could not do that, both of us ought to pull out. When asked if he would take the Presidency, he said, No. Nelson also declined. Furlong said that he was willing to leave it to the Board to decide what he should do. I looked the Board over and saw that he had the majority, and consequently did not meet him in his proposition. I guess, what I should have said was that I would leave it to the unanimous opinion of the Board, but that would have made Nelson and Lee come out from cover, and they don't seem to be ready to do that, so I said that I did not seek the position but my friends were anxious to have me and I consented to fill it if they gave it to me; that I consequently was under obligations to my friends and should do whatever they said.

Lee said that it was reported last winter that the President advanced large sums of money to influence the Legislature, which was subsequently refunded to him by padding the bills of the architect. Of course this is all a libel; but how is one to stop it?

Looking into the future, the only way I can see would be to have a Board of men who wouldn't make any such mistakes as we have made. It was finally decided that Beek and Furlong should go to the Attorney General and see how soon we would all have to hang. I told them that I should consult the best lawyer in the state and find some way to keep my neck out of the noose. So, Friday morning I called on my friend Judge Douglas. He referred to the law which makes it a misdemeanor for a man to fill two positions and draw two salaries; but it did not apply to the members of the Board who voted to do so. In other words you may counsel a man to do wrong without incriminating yourself. He is the only one liable. So while I may be censured for not protesting against the action of the board on various measures, none of us are liable,

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A. W. Latham, # 2.

except the man who had the stolen goods. Under that ruling I don't see why Mr. Hall isn't guilty of a misdemeanor in occupying two positions and drawing two salaries.

After visiting with Douglas I went over to Randall. Had a nice visit with him and Prof. Green who happened to be there, and a little later Frank Day walked in. I made his acquaintance. He seems to be full of business and got right at it to look over the counties to see where we were at. Those that he or Randall knew were O.K. were put in one column, the doubtful ones in another, and those that were pretty certain to go to Furlong in another. I enclose you a copy. Also we counted up 28 live members and admitting that half of them would vote for Furlong, the other half would vote for me; and the doubtful counties were split in two, each given half, and that would leave me 36 counties to their 18. Besides these come the Societies. Most of them I think I can claim. If I have omitted any please advise me.

Cordially yours,

*J. M. Underwood*

H. P. TORGERSON

Astoria, S. Dak., Dec 30 1909

A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir

Enclosed find my check  
for \$2<sup>00</sup> Membership Fees for  
my self and Alvin Peterson  
for the coming year. and please  
send to Both of us Plant Premiums  
No's 3 and 4

Yours Truly  
H. P. Torgerson

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Mrs A. W. Sathum Sec  
Minneapolis Minn

MINNEOTA, MINN., Dec 31 1909

Dear Friend: - Will you please send me a couple hundred of the 1910 Fruit list folders if they are out at this time. Unfortunately I was not able to come to the meeting this year so I do not know if anything new have developed in the fruit line.

I have not been getting the Horticulturist lately. Is it because the membership list is so large that your supply does not go around?

If there is any one that are getting it I would appreciate it if you put my name on the favored list. Wishing you a happy and prosperous new year I am

Sincerely Yours  
J. L. Teigland

R 3 Box 1 Cannon Falls Minn Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 1109

Dear Mr. Latham; Your circular Letter Recd yesterday; in reply would state that I am 47 years old and am very much disgusted with our present civilisation and propose to put my few remaining <sup>years</sup> in kicking the present system and in showing a better one

Get the simple fact that a five acre piece of land is amply sufficient to support a family, should set every thinking man to thinking; it is only a suggestion; I am not advocating for a law that every one shall have five acres no more no less x Instead of writing more, I will refer to Max Nordau's Conventional Lies of our Civilisation

Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>

I meant to have finished this Saturday, but I had to do my chores so that the dear children could go to school and learn the Platitudes of our civilisation; When said in N.Y. State that the children of the state should be educated by the state over

he uttered a platitude that took me about 60  
years to find out that it was a confounded  
Lie x I offered our board of education my  
farm 390 acres if they would start an agricul-  
tural college and give me a salary of \$10,000  
per year as head Professor Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>

More shares and more work for the Old Man, while  
there are a lot of young men & Women in town  
enjoying their special priviledges and waiting  
for big wages and for the old people to die off x  
No Sir I dont think I will send any more mon-  
ey to the Twin Cities than I can possibly help x  
I am not finding any fault with the Minn.  
Horticulturist but it is the people collectively  
considered - in a flock-managed by a compari-  
tively few demagogues; the honest independent  
thinker has nothing to say; to every appropria-  
tion from the government there stands the grafter  
to take the pile yours Truly

Professor Ulysses Tanner of Nature's University

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Dec. 22nd, 1909.

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

Dear Friend Latham:

I have your favor of the 21st. It won't be necessary for me to send anything to Frank Day. If you have seen to-day's Pioneer Press you know that everything has come out with regard to the legislative payroll.

Now I want someone to send a marked copy of the Press to every delegate and wherever it will do any good. I am trying to get Randall by 'phone but he is out of the office. I shall tell him to have the papers sent out at my expense. Now, if you will call up Randall and see if it is a good thing to do and can help in the matter, please do so, letting me know the expense and I will pay it. I don't see how they can stand up under such a fire.

Cordially yours,

Please write in replies to the questions asked on both pages of this circular and return it at once, accompanied by remittance if convenient, to the secretary, using the accompanying envelope.

Office of Secretary:

# Minnesota State Horticultural Society

Dear Fellow Member:

Your annual membership in the Minnesota State Horticultural Society for 1909 expires December 7, 1909, 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 1909, 536 pages—with the understanding that you give away the copies of the "Minnesota Horticulturist" received during 1909—they are all included in this annual report.
2. A handsome lithograph membership ticket for 1910.
3. "The Minnesota Horticulturist," a monthly magazine of 40 pages each, during 1910.
4. Two plant premiums, to be selected from a list to be published in the 1910 magazines (also in the Dec., 1909, 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, 1909, it will be taken for granted that you wish your name to remain 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 through the other two, and mail to the secretary before Dec. 4, enclosing the annual fee where convenient.

1. I enclose \$1.00 in payment of the annual fee for 1910. *Life*
2. I wish to continue a member of the society and will remit the membership fee about .....
3. I do not wish to continue a member of the society.

Sign your name *F. G. Trefethren*

Post Office *Spring Valley, No. Dak.*

Date *Dec 7, 1909*

### 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 .....

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## 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 7 to 10, 1909. 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 those who send notice to reach the secretary by **Dec. 3, 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?.....
  2. Does your wife (husband) expect to attend? .....
  3. Will other members of the family attend? .....
  4. Do you and wife (husband) expect to attend the annual banquet, or other members of the family? .....
  5. Please name in the order of their comparative value (the best first) the varieties of apples and plums the most successful in your vicinity
- Apples .....
- .....
- Plums .....
- .....

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

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### To the Members of the 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 Society.**

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Dec. 4th, 1909.

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

Dear Friend:

John Nordine expects to go up early Monday morning to put our fruit up and he says to ask you to have it got over to the church as early as possible so that he can get some work in Monday forenoon.

I have just got back from the Live Stock Show in Chicago and the State Fair Managers' Convention, and can't say whether I can be with you Monday evening, as there is enough to do here. I don't think that it is really necessary to have that meeting because the reports that you send out to us are very explicit and concise, and it seems as tho that they make it unnecessary for a meeting before the program begins Tuesday.

Cordially yours,

*J. M. Underwood*

# The JEWELL NURSERY COMPANY.



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LAKE CITY, MINN.

11/4 '09

Dear Mr. Latham

Replying to yours of the 3<sup>d</sup> I know you are so entirely well qualified to arrange the banquet program that I can think of no suggestions that could help you. I would say this however that I think the short programs have been the most liked and if we sit down at 6:30 we should be done by 9:30. People get restless and inattentive if they have to sit longer. When you have the speakers pledged I will write them a little note supporting you in the request that they keep inside of the limit of time set. Of course if you get some particular star performer we would probably want to give him his own length of rope.

Sincerely  
R. D. U.

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WHOLESALE - RETAIL

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1200 ACRES

LAKE CITY, MINN.

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Nov. 26, 1909.

A. W. Latham, Secy.  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 24th received. I think you have arranged the subject you have secured in a very happy manner and I will do my best to lead up to them properly. As soon as you get the others corraled, kindly let me know what they are. Also, kindly advise me what you have said to these people regarding the amount of time they are to take. Sorry you were unable to get Nordine in line. I think very likely we can get him to take hold at some future time. He feels that he is better able to handle some practical subject on the regular program.

Respectfully,

R. D. Underwood, Secy.

The Jewell Nursery Co.

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Nov. 26th, 1909.

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

Dear Friend:

Your favor of the 24th received. I appreciate very much your interest in my becoming President of the State Agricultural Society. I wish very much that I could have taken the place with out the opposition that is pretty sure to arise, and a better feeling among the Board members, but since I am in for it I shall wade thru as best I can.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood.