



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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Minnesota Grown Nursery Stock

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FIFTEEN HUNDRED  
ACRES

Lake City, Minnesota

NE

Nov. 26th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

Your order for evergreen rope will be attended to, as you request, and sent up by express Saturday.

"The Bluebird" is all right, well worth seeing. I should like to read the story, and I think we will get the book.

Cordially yours,

J.M.Underwood.

# The Jewell Nursery Company

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*Fifteen Hundred Acres  
Incorporated 1884*

Lake City, Minnesota

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Nov. 12th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

I have your favor of the 11th, also the reports from the plant breeders. It is quite interesting to see that so many are taking up the work. I don't expect that these experiments will flood the country with new and valuable varieties, but out of the bunch there ought some good come.

Oh! I think whatever you and Mr. Elliot want to do in the matter of guaranteeing reduced Railroad rates will be agreeable to all, and will have my approval.

Very cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood.

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Nov. 7th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

Proofs of program received. Don't see anything to criticise; think it is very good. It does not look so full as some of the former programs, which I think is an improvement. Holding it in the Court House suits me.

Cordially yours,

J.M. Underwood.

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Lake City, Minnesota Sept. 3, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:-

Answering yours of the 30th. I don't see why we should ask our State Horticultural Society to put up an exhibit for the Land Show. I doubt if we have any right to do such a thing anyway; and I think we ought to give as little publicity to the ability of the Horticultural Society to do things as we can. *I mean make exhibits for other Societies*

I wonder if you are taking in the State Fair.

I expect to go up to the Fair tomorrow. Perhaps we will meet.

Mr. Dorsey was down here last week and we had a very pleasant day together. We got out some blanks on which to enter all the new varieties that may be found on the Fair grounds. This is in the interests of the Plant Breeders Auxiliary. I enclose you a sample copy of the blanks which we have had printed.

Very cordially yours,

*J. M. Underwood*

The University of Minnesota  
Minneapolis

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 5, 1912.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Sec'y Minnesota State Horticultural Society,  
207 Kasota Building,  
Minneapolis.

My dear Mr. Latham:-

Thank you sincerely for the invitation to attend the dinner on the evening of December 5th. Unfortunately, I am to be in Crookston at that time, so that I shall have to miss the affair.

With best wishes for the success of the occasion,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

*George E. Vincent.*

GEV-B

Mr. A.W. Latham Sec.

Mpls. Minn.

Minnesota, Minn. Oct. 26, 1912.

Dear Friend:-

It is undoubtedly high time for me to let you know my decision about responding to that title you suggested some time ago.

I have been debating that matter in my mind for several months and have not come any nearer to decision yet.

I believe it would be a good idea to have that subject brought up for the discussion of the society but unfortunately I am not in the position to bring it before them in a manner that I should like.

Now I should like to learn the reason why my Wealthies don't bear when Dutches alongside under exactly the same conditions bear all the trees can stand and the same is true with Gilbert and in a lesser degree with Pattons G.

However my experiments has not been conducted with the belief that they would ever be brot to the attention of any one else and they has not been as thoro as they should to be made the subject of discussion.

The trees in question was planted in the spring of 1900 I believe. They are on heavy clay loam that has some alkily in it. The land is practically level except that the water flows from our barnyard and on to a part of it. The land had been used for gardening and was in rich condition. On a part as is indicated in the sketch there had been strawpiles rotting for 20 years or so and the land could hardly be any richer in fact I had doubt about being able to get trees started there. In this place thru a mistake there happened to be set a wealthy tree and also 1 in among the Wealthies there happened to be placed some Dutchess here and there. I will mention this Wealthy later as its behavior seem to me to have been contrary to all rules laid down for appletrees to grow by. All the trees were given thoro cultivation for about three or four years and by that time the Dutchess had started bearing heavy and have kept at it ever since. At about that time, as the Wealthies did not seem to want to start I thot I were cultivating them too much so I let them grow to grass and trimmed them in June that is I cut them back considerable and took out the branches that would interfere. In the spring I would go to the orchard expecting to see the trees turn white with bloom. Alas they were leaves.

I heard I should trim in winter for to make them bear.

I tried it on some trees but the result was the same. I had been mulching all the trees every fall with manure. In the spring I would let our hogs cultivate it into the ground. Were I giving the Wealthies too much firtility? I accordingly discontinued mulching the Wealthies. The result was no differant. There would be a few apples on all the trees and a tree here and there would give a crop. The tree in the strawstack bottom was one of these and it bore so heavy a couple times that we had to prop it up and the tree has never shown any

blight and is in fine condition today. The other trees that bore heavy was more or less injured from it tho there was not one that carried nearly the crop that this one did.

Then we had that awful spring freeze and it hurt all trees so much that they did not recover fully until this year and which winter broke up all experiments or at least delayed the result for two or three years.

We have had some fruit the last two years and this year the Gilbert bore an immense crop, but on account of that freeze and the drought of last year I do not think it has brought to light any thing that will be of value to enlightening that subject.

Under these circumstances it may be better not to try to respond to that title now or to a similar one but rather continue my experiments a year or two more and do thorough work of it and using check trees for proving the work. Maybe something may show up that will be of value.

As it is now the chances are that at the end of the discussion we will all know less than at the beginning.

Why does not the Wealthies bear when the other kinds bear splendid crops under similar conditions and treatment?

Some one will probably say I made the ground too rich? If so why did the Wealthy in the strawstack bottom where it was as rich as it was possible to make it bear heavy and are doing fine?

Does fertilizing the trees induce blight? If so why was that particular Wealthy tree free from it and nearly all the others have shown it more or less at times? These are some of the questions I would like to have some one answer me.

Yours very truly

J. L. Veigland

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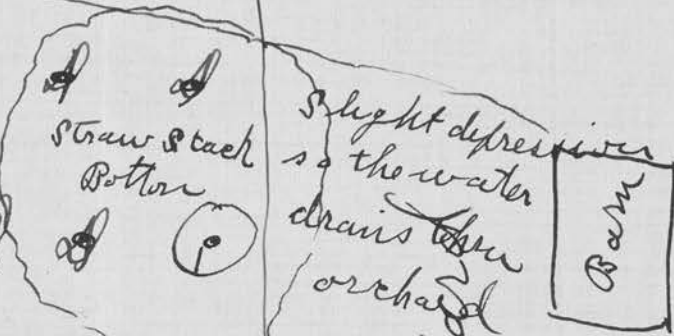
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- ① Wealthy referred to
- W Wealthies
- ♣ Dutcha
- ♣ Gilbert

This is not a correct  
 flat but just a rough  
 sketch to show our con-  
 ditions somewhat.

Hubert October 28<sup>th</sup>

A W Latham

1912

Dear Sir

Yours at hand I shall  
fill in person the  
place assigned me  
on your program.

With Great Respect

Freeman Thorpe

*Fruit Bearing + Why. 8.14.*  
Mr. A. W. Latham Sec. Minnesota Minn. Aug. 12. 1912.  
Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Friend:-Your reply to my card came on hand in record breaking time. Many Thanks.

I appreciate the honor of the offer of a place on the program at next meeting, but I do not feel competent to take any such prominent place.

I find there are so many exceptions to the rules and theories dont seem to work out the way they were supposed to.

I have one problem here.  
Why dont my Wealthies bear when Dutchess under similar conditions bear so that it dwarfs the trees?

I have tried thoro cultivation, hog cultivation, grass mulch, and other mulch. I have trimmed in winter, in summer, or not trimmed at all and it do not seem to make any differance.

All things come to those who wait they say and I presume the Wealthies will also.

I waited ten years for the Surprise Plum to surprise us with a crop of fruit but this year we were truly surprisced as they carry a fine crop.

I have even been able to raise Martha and Virginea crabs last year and this.

The apple crop is light here this year, Gilbert being the only variety with a full crop on our place.

Yours very truly

*J. L. Ferland*

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Oct. 25th, 1912.

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

Dear Mr. Latham:

Mr. Underwood tells me that you are little impatient with regard to my not responding to your letters with regard to the program, and really I don't wonder that you feel as tho I had not been doing my part. I have waited thinking that perhaps I might be able to take hold of the work and help on the program, but as the work on our house progresses, I am more than rushed, and the probability is that there will be much for me to look after for more than a month, in order to get things straightened out and in good running order. If you were a woman I might explain to you what these various things are, but perhaps your wife can post you.

I thot I might be able to correspond with different ones and secure some first class talent on the program. I know nothing of the different parties that you have written me about, except Mrs. Lindgren. I think that it would be better not to place her on program. I have had more or less experience with her with regard to various matters, and think that she is not the one to place on the program.

I had had in mind of trying to secure Prof. Maria Sanford, or Miss Evans. We may never get another chance to receive words of counsel and advice from them, as, if I am correctly informed, they are about 80 years old. They both talk splendidly and are fine drawing cards for a program. There is also Mrs. E.H. Loyhed of Faribault, the present President of the M.F.W.C., - a fine speaker, and I know would help to swell the number of attendants to our Auxiliary meeting. Suggest to Mrs. Loyhed that a topic like this "A Message to the Women in the Rural Distrcits" would be appropriate. I don't know whether Miss Sanford makes a charge or not. I think that she is accustomed to getting \$10.00 for a full evening's entertainment, but I would limit anyone of the speakers named to not over twenty minutes, or half an hour.

I feel that the less I say about the program the better, as long as I feel that it is impossible for me to render assistance.

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A.W. Latham, No. 2.

You mention in one of your letters something about my giving another report. Do you remember what I said at my last appearance? I think that it would be better to cut this feature out for this year; in fact it will be impossible for me to do anything. There is a little work that I have promised to help Mr. Underwood about, and all the spare time that I can get will need to be used for this purpose.

Trusting you will not think too hardy of me, and that at some future time I may be able to be of assistance to you, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.

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NE

Oct. 17th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

Somehow I don't take kindly to your proposition of paying one-third of the railroad fare to members for attending, and applying it on the Life Membership fee. The fee of \$10.00 is already small. We will get more out of them if they pay their annual dues. Then again some travelling from a distance would have a good deal more to apply on their Life Membership than those that only come a short distance, making a difference in the amount that one pays for a membership. I am afraid we would be criticized for doing this.

I will prepare something for our meeting on our orchards. You do not need to put it on the program, which I presume as usual will be overfull.

Very cordially yours,

J.M.Underwood.

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Lake City, Minnesota

ME

Oct. 12th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

I think it would be very nice if Mr. Powell can be induced to come out here to the Horticultural meeting, but I am afraid he is too busy a man. You know we tried to get him last year. It would do no harm to write him. Address your letter to Ghent, N.Y. I think it would be all right to offer to pay his expenses.

I hardly think it would be well received to offer to pay one-third of the fare to members. I am afraid it would be establishing a precedence that might lead us into trouble. Save our money and build a Horticultural Hall.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood.

P.S. Dr. Mayo was here last Sunday and we arranged to go out to the farm about 1st of November. I am too busy to leave now and he felt the same way.

MINNESOTA FOREST SERVICE

OFFICE OF THE FORESTER

SAINT PAUL.

Address  
THE FORESTER, State Capitol

October 12, 1912.

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

Dear Sir:

Your letter of September 30 is received. Owing to Mr. Cox's absence from the city, answer to it has been delayed. In accordance with your suggestion that the Forestry Association hold its sessions Wednesday afternoon and evening of the first week in December, Professor Cheyney has gone ahead on the work of preparing programs. The only difficulty we anticipate is that we shall not be able to complete the program outlined in the afternoon and evening sessions. You may rest assured that Secretary Cheyney will provide a foresters' program of real live interest to everyone concerned. The meeting is going to be a "rouser".

Very truly yours,

*Dillon P. Tierney*

Acting State Forester.

DPT/AG

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Oct. 2nd, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

Yours of the 30th received. I will comply with your request as to Questions and Answers preceeding Tuesday afternoon session.

I regret to say that last Friday morning we had a fire the wiped out one of our buildings which included the room where we had our fruit stored. It took all of our Wealthies and leaves us practically without anything to exhibit at the winter meeting. We had the most beautiful lot of Wealthies we ever grew and it included our exhibit for Spokane and a large quantity that I had planned putting in my cellar for my own use. It is a wonder that we saved anything, but with the splendid work done by our fire department with the use of buckets we saved the offices and the roof to our big concrete building. We have a fair amount of insurance that will help some. I think I mourn the loss of the apples more than anything else.

Yours truly,

J.M. Underwood.

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Lake City, Minnesota Aug. 30th, 1912.

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

My dear friend:-

The three samples of the Rockford Seedling Plum introduced by Mr. Patton received. One was over-ripe. I have scaled them as follows: #1, 10 points; #2, 8 points, sample only measured 1 1/4 inch; #3, 8 points, not as ~~suitable~~ as *Sweet* the Ocheda; #4, 5 points, pulp was not firm when ripe; #5, 8 points, peeling fairly well; #6, 10 points, without astringency, eating from hand, (not enough to cook;) #7, 10 points, rather early ripening; #8 and #9, of course, I could not pass upon. The pits are rather large, at least are not small.

Very cordinally yours,

*J. M. Underwood*

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Sept. 26th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

Yours of the 25th received. I don't think of anything to improve on the proposed postal that you enclosed.

I will see what we can do about an article on the orchards. I am sorry to say that our two orchards on the level have suffered severely from the drought of 1910 and the overbearing of 1911. We find that the ground down where the roots are is still dry notwithstanding the abundance of rains we have had this season. In fact in our plowing for nursery work this summer we have run into dry ground until very recently.

Very cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood.

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J. M. U.

Enclosed find premium list for Annual Meeting and suggestions.

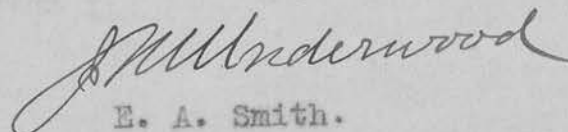
# 1. Latham seems to encourage top working apples. I don't see the advantage of making special class.

# 2. A seedling that is not 3 inches in diameter, choice specimen as supposed to be on exhibit, is not worthy of notice. 3 inches in diameter is plenty small enough. Rule out anything smaller and put a stop to a miscellaneous lot of stuff which is each year put on exhibit.

# 3. Reduce the premium from \$60.00 to \$40.00, seedlings to be 3 inches in diameter.

# 4. Take part of the \$20.00 which is reduced in # 3 and add to the \$25.00 premium for single bushel box, apples of which should not be less than 3 inches in diameter. By making this change in amount it will not increase the total cash to be used for premiums. The single box exhibit is worthy of encouragement.

# 5. Three premiums are sufficient.

  
E. A. Smith.

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Aug. 28th, 1912.

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

Dear friend:-

Smith and I have talked over the Premium List,  
and herewith return it with our recommend.

Yours very truly,

*J. M. Underwood*

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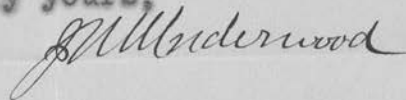
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Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear friend:-

We went up to Zumbro Heights Saturday, but were deterred from calling on you on account of rain and mud. Had to come back Monday.

I was very much pleased to see large quantities of apples around Lake Minnetonka. I am sure if you would send out some one to engage the fruit, you could get up a large exhibit of fruit for our winter meeting. We will do what we can to help you.

Very cordially yours,



EVERGREENS THAT LIVE

# WEDGE NURSERY

FRUIT TREES THAT BEAR

ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

August 23, 1912.

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

Dear friend:

Responding to yours of the 21st.

We enclose herewith bill for strawberry seed. Mr. Cashman invited me to go up with him to the fruit farm on the trip you mention. It is a little strange, but I happen<sup>ed</sup> to have a very severe cold on that very day myself, or I would have gone up. I think you may expect me in about ten days.

Truly yours,



Hubert <sup>to</sup> Minn Aug 8 1912

A W Latham

Dear Sir

Thank you for your letter. My impression is that ere the summer closes it will be found that more apple trees are killed or weakened by last winters cold than was at first reported and further that the vitality of apple trees generally in Minnesota is more or less injured each winter although not seriously most winters. Practically every apple tree I have on my place that was planted in the usual way was <sup>root</sup> killed last winter. But not one of the apple

2  
trees planted by my new  
method shows any indication  
of the least <sup>root</sup> injury some  
of them were injured at  
the tips of the limbs because  
I did not stop the growth  
as early as I now know  
that it ought to be  
done, I am now sure  
that the new method  
will solve the problem  
of apple growing in  
Northern Minnesota. If  
I am to address the  
Society on Plums at next  
meeting I want to talk  
a few minutes first on  
experience with the new  
method for apples.

With Great Respect  
Freeman Thorpe

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## Minnesota Grown Nursery Stock

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FIFTEEN HUNDRED  
ACRES

Lake City, Minnesota

NE

July 31st, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

Some time ago when I was very busy I received proof of a discussion that took place at our winter meeting on work in the nursery, etc. I think it was for my correction. I have just dug it up this morning from a file, and write to know if anything has been done with it. I talk so ramblingly that my impromptus must everyone be thoroly edited before they are fit to read. I know you will be glad to give me a chance to do this, and if I don't attend to it when I ought, you must give me a scolding.

When at the summer meeting I met a young man from the Agricultural School who gave me his name and said he was there in the interest of the government in looking after Northwestern Horticulture, at least that is my recollection of it. I talked with him about our Plant Breeders Auxiliary and told him that I was getting up a record of new and old varieties, etc., and he said that he had a large amount of data that he would be glad to give me, and that he would like to come down to the nursery and visit me. Now I have lost my memorandum of his name. Can you tell me about him? I want to get into connection with him.

I enclose a proof of the form of a record that I am getting up, for your approval and any change that you may suggest.

I suppose you are having a nice time out at the lake. In a couple of weeks we think we will go up to the city with our Cadillac when I shall try and see you. With best wishes for you and yours, I am,

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood

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April 13th, 1912.

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

Friend Latham:

I received your kind letter of the 5th and am sorry that I had to disappoint you when I was in Minneapolis last by not calling. I tried to do it, but I was up there on business and before I could get that attended to you were out of the office. I often think of you and our dear friend Wyman Elliot, and wish so much that I could be with you and see you both more. I have looked forward to the time when I should be less busy and have more time to visit with my friends, but it seems as tho instead of the years having more leisure, that if anything they are more crowded with important things to attend to.

When I was up there I was looking up some things with which to help in making changes in the back part of our house. We have long wanted to have a better kitchen and laundry, and I wanted to get some features to make a new laundry and kitchen easier to do work in. When we get everything fixed up I hope you and Mrs. Latham can visit us, and see if we have done it right.

I congratulate you on the success you have made in the membership of the Society, but I think that the Society and State are to receive the highest congratulations for having so efficient a Secretary. You may not be the most rugged and vigorous man in the state, but I don't believe there is anyone that is more everlastingly at it than you are in building up the society, and I believe that everyone who thinks at all about it is conscious of the fact. It may be that some time the President of the Dairy Ass'n will be changed and we can get a more reasonable service out of the Institute workers. Mr. Schilling is a pretty nice man and I think may be if you could see him and talk the matter over that you could show him that there is no harm in promoting the interests of either the Horticultural or Dairy Societies.

I am glad that you sent the notes of my talk of ornamenting the road side, to edit. They were simply very rambling and imperfect. I didn't have time to revise it but asked my wife to do so and I enclose her description of the work that we did, which I think you will see reads much more sensibly. I think it is important that Mr. Long should have his notes carefully edited by someone before they go into the publication, and especially mine for when I talk at random

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A. W. Latham, # 2.

I am careless of my grammar.

Rest assured of my best wishes and that I will improve the first and every opportunity that I have to pay you a visit.

You can well imagine that we are very busy now.

Very cordially yours,

J.M.Underwood.

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*June 10, 1912*

*6.13.12*

*Secy G. W. Latham,  
207 Masota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.*

*Dear Sir:-*

*Enclosed please find my  
check for \$2<sup>00</sup> for which please  
send me <sup>two copies of</sup> Vegetable Gardening by  
Professor S. B. Green, and oblige,*

*Yours truly  
O. O. Uhlhorn.*

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June 10th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

I have just received information that it will be necessary for me to attend to some business matters on next Saturday that I did not anticipate. I will try to change the arrangement so that I can be with you on Saturday, but you must not depend on me.

Cordially yours,

J. M. Underwood.

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June 8th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

You know very well that it sends a cold chill up my spinal column to have you suggest that I speak on any public occasion. If I was before the public frequently I don't think I should mind it, but coming only once in a while and when my mind is full of business, I always feel like a chump when I think of making any kind of a speech. However, I will do the best I can for you on the occasion of the dedication of the Gideon Memorial Tablet.

We are talking of going up to the cities on Thursday afternoon with our automobile, taking in the picnic and then I suppose we will have to stay over and go out to Excelsior, but I don't understand what the tablet is, where it is to be placed, and who are the promoters. Probably it has all been explained in our published literature, but I don't get time to read it.

You must be awfully hard up for public speakers when you call on me, and it is only to support you that I would consent to do anything, besides the honor is too overwhelming.

I haven't time to tell you all that is going on here but you must come down and see.

Last winter I suggested to the State Rose Society that they hold their summer meeting here. They thot they would be very glad to do so. When in your office I called up Mrs. Gould and talked it over. We decided that inasmuch as our summer meeting occurs next Friday that we had better wait until then and try and arrange for coming down here. I think the week after would be a good time to find our roses and Strawberry patch in prime condition, tho Jim says our Strawberries will be ripe next week. I doubt if many of our roses are in bloom. However, we haven't many in the nursery; I hope those in my rose garden will be all right.

Mrs. Wm. Passmore, 333 Oak Grove St., Mpls. came down on the steamer day before yesterday and brought a friend of hers, Mrs. Russel of Milwaukee. I took them all over our nursery and they were very enthusiastic over the flowers and what they saw. Mrs. Passmore has been here before. I don't know whether she is a member of our Society or comes out to our meetings, but I wish you would send her an invitation to the summer meeting.

Cordially yours,  
J.M.UNDERWOOD.

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May 14th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

I should have answered yours of the 29th before but it got covered up on my desk, and in our rush of spring work I have not had time to clear the desk up.

I don't think that you would get much of an exhibit out at the fruit breeding farm, or many people to go out that far.

I have no changes to suggest on the premium list, - anything to bring out a good exhibit of the local amateur flower growers in the Twin Cities.

Have not had time to look around the country or to get any reports on this year's fruit. I was up on the bluff at the Rahilly farm Sunday and see that his Duchess trees are full of blossoms. Our trees are quite variable, the older trees not blossoming. The Wealthy on our side hill are full of blossoms, and the young trees on the flat seem to be well in bloom. Plums are looking good. If we don't have a freeze now I think we will have some fruit, and I notice that the Maple and Elm trees are full of seed.

Glad to know that everything is prospering with you. We have had a strenuous time to get our orders off on account of the season opening up so late and then coming on so warm. Very glad to see the trees in leaf again, and we are getting along well with our work. Everybody well.

Kind regards to all.

Yours very cordially,

J.M. Underwood.

Treasurer's Office  
LAG QUI PARLE COUNTY  
IVER C. UNDLIN,  
County Treasurer.

Madison, Minn., April 19, 1912.

A. W. Latham, Sec.,

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:--Enclosed herewith please find twenty five cents,  
being membership fees in the case of Wm. H. Smith, Madison, Minn. If  
not too late you may send Mr. Smith Nos. 1 and 7 as premium.

Thanking you, I remain,

Yours very truly,

Iver C. Undlin, Secy.,  
Lac Qui Parle Co. Hort. Soc.

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April 16th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

I find on my desk a copy of the discussion on root gall at the winter meeting. Mr. Smith and Roy are very much opposed to my discussing the subject and they want it cut out. They think it hurts business to have me oppose the inspection, so that if you will do so I think you better eliminate everything that I said on the subject. If it was to be published it certainly needs editing, because I am sure the stenographer has not taken it down as I said it in some places.

Personally I think that the only way the whole subject will ever be settled will be to have it out with the entomological department, in the legislature and in Congress, and show the public what they really are, - a Great Big Vampire, seeking to build up a department at the expense of the public. There isn't a nursery in the whole country but what has more or less root gall. Our native woods are full of it, and this condition has prevailed ever since I have been in the business and long before, but this system of inspection has grown from the necessity occasioned by the introduction of San Jose scale and gypsy moth and brown tail moth. Then there are some fungous diseases that are combated by the use of different kinds of spray and the insects on fruit and ornamental stock can be controlled by spraying with arsenical solutions, and so the Entomological Department has discovered their opportunity to put up a great big scare over every little thing they can think of, and while they are attracting the attention of the dear public by their cries of "wolf! wolf!", they slyly slip their hand in the public purse and pull out their salaries.

I have relieved my mind to you, chuck the letter in the waste basket and cut out the discussion and I will for ever more hold my peace.

Yours very cordially,

J.M. Underwood.

Forest Lake Minn. Apr 22 - 12

Mr A W Latham

Dear sir

I found page 3 of my plum article in the desk and send it all back Fruit tree are coming out much better than I expected and it looks as if we would have a fair bloom for an off season The spring has been rather favourable not many hot day to force the bloom along to fast and not much real hard freezing weather The superb apple ~~and~~ trees are full of fruit buds and it looks as if we might get a fair crop from these Wherever I sell this apple they always praise it and ask for more  
Yours Truly  
W. J. Finley

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April 12th, 1912.

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

Dear Friend:

You asked me to send you photographs to use with my article on improvement work here in Lake City. I will be unable to send you anything this spring. This summer I will try and have some pictures taken of Chute Park, as well as fresh ones of Oaklyn, and be prepared for you another year.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Anna B. Underwood.

Forest Lake Minn 3-26-1912  
A W Latham

Dear sir

Inclosed you will find my paper  
on the plum that I read at winter  
meeting as near as I can recollect  
I do not have a photograph of myself  
or any part of the plum orchard.  
But perhaps I can get some taken  
when the trees are in bloom this  
spring. I do not think that the our  
hardy fruits have received much of  
any damage this winter. The grafting  
that I set last spring did not  
ripen up very well and these are  
damaged some. The <sup>apple</sup> trees in the sod  
orchard appear to stand the winter  
better than those in the cultivated  
orchard. The superb apple trees were  
damaged some in late spring fruit  
of 10 and bore very little fruit last  
season. But this spring they look

fine and are full of fruit buds  
yours very Truly

W. J. Tingley

Treasurer's Office  
LAC QUI PARLE COUNTY  
IVER C. UNDLIN,  
County Treasurer.

Madison, Minn., March 26, 1912.

A.W.Latham, Sec.,

Menneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:--Yours of the 23d at hand and contents noted. In answer will say that the annual meeting of the Lac Qui parle Co. Hort. Society according to our Const. is held on the first Tuesday of January each year. Michael Bendel, Sr. is the pres.; M.H.C. Westby, V. pres.; M.A. Stemsrud, Treas.

It was decided at the annual meeting to have a meeting some time in the spring, but the date was not set.

Yours very truly,

I.C. Undlin, Sec.

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March 18th, 1912.

A.W.Latham,

207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 13th at hand. I have received the  
cut showing the class in greenhouse, and thank you very much  
for your kindly interest.

Yours truly,

R.D.Underwood.

J. M. UNDERWOOD, President  
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March 12th, 1912.

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

My dear Mr. Latham:

I would like to get the cut of Prof. Cady  
and class in Greenhouse on page 97. Will try and do a little  
advertising for the Agricultural School.

Thanking you in advance.

Yours truly,

R.D.Underwood, Sec'y

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EDWARD VAN ANTWERP  
Dent, Minnesota

FARM IMPLEMENTS  
AND VEHICLES  
FURNITURE,  
WALL PAPER, Etc.

Mar 2 12.

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Mr A.W. Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your favor  
of the <sup>1st</sup> relative to life membership in the Society.

I am free to confess that I did not know that the  
payments were semi annually, nor that the second payment must first  
be made to get the reports.

Such being the case I am sending you herewith  
the balance and you may forward the set of reports. I am very  
anxious to have them as complete as possible.

I believe + can get you some new members here.

Very truly yours,

Edward Van Antwerp.

*[Handwritten signature and scribbles]*

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# EDWARD VAN ANTWERP

Dent, Minnesota

Feb 29, 12. ✓

FARM IMPLEMENTS  
AND VEHICLES

FURNITURE,  
WALL PAPER, Etc.

Mr A.W. Latham,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir : I am in receipt of your favor  
of the 28, inst. and am sending you herewith a check for  
\$5 00 the first installment for life membership in the  
Society.

Kindly send me the available reports and oblige.

In plant premiums you may send me the following:

No. 6 Four strawberry seedlings.

No 7; Three Sunbeam raspberries.

I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

Edward Van Antwerp.

*Include as premium,  
Forestry of Minn.*

Argyle Minn.

2-29-1912;

✓ 15

Dear Sir:-

Find enclosed five  
dollar draft for first annual  
installments for life member  
if there is any plants  
premiums I am to get besides  
some of the back publications  
pleas let me know so that  
I can make my choice in time  
I have annual reports No  
1909-1910 remaining

Yours Truly

J. P. Treneer

Argyle

Box 23

Minn

PRIVATE OFFICE

# HOTEL RADISSON

SEVENTH ST. NEAR NICOLLET AVENUE.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 1/22/12.

HOTEL RADISSON CO.  
H. J. TREMAIN, MGR.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Minnesota Horticultural Asse.,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

My secretary advises me that you phoned this morning asking if we had the tickets we used the night of your dinner. I am sorry to say that we did not keep them and at the present time I am unable to find them. I inclose you the bill for the dinner which I trust is entirely satisfactory and while I have no desire to hurry you, I should like to add that we could use the money very nicely if it is convenient for you to remit.

I am,

Very truly yours,

*H. J. Tremain*  
Manager.

OHIO AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

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Paul Thayer, *Assistant*  
Ernest J. Riggs, *Assistant*

WOOSTER, OHIO Feb. 21, 1912.

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

Dear Sir:-

We have in the horticultural library of the Experiment Station the reports of the Minnesota Hort. Society for 1876, 1884, 1887, 1889, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1896, 1900, 1901. If you have available for distribution, reports which will help us complete our file we would be pleased to receive them. If there is any charges connected with sending the reports please send the bill to the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station.

Yours truly,

E.

*Paul Thayer*  
Ass't Horticulturist.

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*2.24.12*

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SEVENTH ST. NEAR NICOLLET AVENUE.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 2/6/12.

HOTEL RADISSON CO.  
H. J. TREMAIN, Mgr.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Since writing you and also since hearing from you over the phone, at the time my auditor visited you, I have given your matter very serious consideration. I have come to the conclusion that my auditor was very liberal when he offered you the settlement that he did. You understand, Mr. Latham, that I know that you want to be fair about this matter, but I think you are mistaken and as long as we have at least three checks on the number of meals that were served to you, I feel that we should have our money in full. If you could produce others, over and above the five that we have record of, who paid cash at the door, I would feel that we were mistaken, but unless you are able to do that, I shall expect you to pay the bill as my auditor suggested to you.

Trusting that you see this matter in the same light that I do and that I may hear from you with remittance, I am,

Very truly yours,

*H. J. Tremain*  
Manager.



PRIVATE OFFICE



# HOTEL RADISSON

SEVENTH ST. NEAR NICOLLET AVENUE.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. 2/23/12.

HOTEL RADISSON CO.  
H. J. TREMAIN, Mgr.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In relation to the bill for the banquet that you gave here, I have given the matter a very thorough investigation and I know of no reason why you should not pay us the \$205.00.

Will you please let me hear from you? I am,

Very truly yours,

*H. J. Tremain*  
Manager.

The University of Minnesota  
Department of Agriculture  
St. Paul

BUREAU OF RESEARCH  
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

February  
19  
1912

Secretary A. W. Latham,  
State Horticulture Society,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

A Bureau of Research has recently been established for the purpose of getting as much data or information as possible in the field of agricultural economics. We want to make the office a clearing house of information on the various problems connected with rural life. The history and development of the horticulture society will be a matter of special interest. I shall be glad to place on file in our bureau any reports or data that you may care to furnish regarding your organization.

Thanking you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

*C. W. Thompson*  
Director.

CWT-OA.

Forest Lake Minn Feb 13 = 12

Mr A W Latham

Dear sir

I regard to the O O Peterson  
nursery<sup>a</sup> Lake Elmo

Mr Peterson is a graduate of  
our farm school and has started  
a small nursery about 5 miles  
south of elmo I have bought tree  
of him and I generally drive  
there with the team and he  
has always dug the trees for  
me wright from the nursery  
and I donot think he handles  
any nursery <sup>stock</sup> but what he  
grows

I recommend him to one  
or two partys while at the winter  
meeting your truly W J Tingley

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Mr. A.W. Latham,  
Kasota Block,  
City.

Dear Sir :-

Enclosed herewith I hand you my  
check for \$3.50, - same being for books ordered  
by me of which you have a memorandum.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs) Ada C. Taintor.

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Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 23d. I should like to see you at such time and place as you may suggest. Indeed I am sorry that we were not advised to save the tickets, but you know, we do not save them for other organizations. In fact we could not look to the individual for pay on these occasions. When such dinners are given, we make a count of the number served and the party who has the dinner in charge has the same privilege. However, I think we will have no difficulty in settling and I should be pleased to hear from you on the subject.

Very truly yours,

*H. J. Tremain*  
Manager.