



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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A. W. LATHAM,

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

*207 Kasota Block.*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Hutchinson Minn  
1-5 1914

Friend Latham

Dear Sir

Your favor  
of the 5<sup>th</sup> just recd  
your reply will  
say that I am  
always glad to do  
what I can for the  
society if you think  
I can fill the vacancy  
I shall endeavor to  
do the best I can  
Yours Respectfully  
J. F. Benjamin

ST. PAUL, MINN.  
JAN 8 1914

Mr A. W. Latham  
Secy Minn State Hist.  
#204 Kasota Block  
Minneapolis, Minn

Returned  
1.10.14

Dear Sir:- Enclosed find One  
dollar in Currency to pay my  
annual dues for 1914, as per  
Membership Ticket No 650 sent me,  
for the current year.

Very truly Yours  
Wilson Brown

Paid  
Dec 16-13

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## Minnesota State Horticultural Society

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Secretary, A. W. LATHAM, Minneapolis, Minn.

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Office of

MRS. R. P. BOYINGTON, ~~Vice-President~~  
~~8th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT~~

Duluth, Minn., Dec 25, 1913

Mr A W Latham

Dear Friend yesterday I put you by Parcel Post, some berries which I hope you may be able to use. I borrowed them from Mr C. E. Roe, and he would like them returned to him as soon as possible, as he wishes to see them in a Catalogue, he is preparing. You could find return them to me. My report I am mailing under and then come to you to day. Hope it may be what you expect. With many thanks for all your kindness, and wishing you the best New Year of your life also a happy new year to Miss Gathin,

Sincerely  
R. P. Boyington

P.S. find my mail, magazine &c to 5-804  
I hope as I am in the city for a while

R.P.B.

Northfield Minn.  
Dec 21 '13

Friend Latham.

I am sending you the paper  
I read at the Hort. meeting.  
You will cut out the first  
part no doubt.

I thought the vegetable display  
very good. I do believe it  
would have been better  
to have given a liberal  
prize or several on potatoes  
and have a fine display  
brought in. There was  
more of a display of Salsify than  
of potatoes. One display of potatoes  
and 3 or 4 of Salsify.  
If we could have had every co.  
in the state send in even a  
few pecks of potatoes what a

display we could have had.  
The Northern County can  
raise fine potatoes but  
the apple is almost a  
minus quantity.  
We would then be calling  
forth something they  
could show up fine &  
what they are specially  
interested in will bring  
them to our meetings & enlarge  
our fellowship.

I am not sure though but  
this whole business ought to  
be in an organization by itself  
or auxiliary to ours.

Yours as ever

W. J. Baldwin.  
P.S. I sent you a picture the week  
before the meeting & I may have another  
soon.

LANGFORD W. SMITH

"THE MEADOWS" R. R. No. 2

ST. PAUL, MINN.

DEC 16 1913

Mr. C. W. Latham:

Tupelo Minnesota

Dear Friend:-

Yours of the 15<sup>th</sup> inst. relative to the  
prize orchard contest recd. During the annual  
meeting I heard some discussions of this contest.  
One member said he would like to enter it but the  
piece of ground he expected to plant would not  
work out with either a 7x8 or 4x14 arrangement.  
He also objected to the distance apart. He preferred  
a 20' x 30' planting - This rectangular arrangement  
will also cut out all side hill orchards where  
terracing is necessary.

More freedom in these conditions will  
I think result in a greater number of  
entries.

I would suggest that paragraph (6) read, Distance  
apart trees are to be planted is to be left at discretion of  
grower provided that in no case it shall be less than 20 ft.  
(7.) Read - Number of trees in orchard not less than 56) nor  
more than 75. arranged to suit the ground selected.

This will allow for a 20' x 30' setting.

Yours very truly  
Langford Smith

THE LAWRENCE

212 WEST ZUMBRO ST.

Mr Latham

ROCHESTER, MINN., 12-17-13

Mr & Mrs Mmii

Dear Friend. Refusing to yours  
of 15<sup>th</sup> Should think the changes  
suggested would be alright

Seems to me there might be  
that there may not be more than  
3 or 4 contestants - how about that  
the good that would come from  
so few orchards would hardly  
be enough to warrant the expenditure

Would it be best to say that  
not less than 10 orchards be planted  
for this contest for these premiums

Will be home in a day or so.

Yours truly

Jno P Andrews





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Secretary A. W. LATHAM, 207 Kasota Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.

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Office of

THOS. E. CASHMAN

President

Owatonna, Minn.,

Dec. 17th, 1913

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

Dear Friend:

Your favors of the 13th and 15th inst. received. In regard to the change of conditions for the prize orchard will say that I believe the trees should not be farther than 24 ft. apart each way. The average planter will not plant his trees 25 X 30 ft. They think they are giving up too much land, and in my experience it is not necessary that they be so far apart. Trees don't grow as <sup>large</sup> well in this country as they do in the east, and if we ask them to plant their trees 25 X 30 ft., they simply will not do it. If they plant the trees diagonally, they will still have more room.

By planting the trees 24 ft. apart each way, seventy-five can be planted ~~in~~ an acre. Otherwise, I think the suggestions you offer are all OK. Will try and get out a trial station report within a few days. I have been so busy of late that I have not been able to get over to the station to check it over, which I will have to do before making a report. However, will try and get to it within a very short time.

In regard to the financial report of the Horticultural Society, I hardly know whether it is policy to make this report or not. I presume if we did not certain fellows will think there is something wrong. In fact, I was twitted by several parties last winter that it must be we were afraid to make known our financial conditions or we would have done so. I have attached my affidavit and presume it will be just as well to let it go through.

Very truly,

*Thos. E. Cashman*

TEC-W

4 In setting out an orchard the  
arrange planter wants a portion of  
it to be of mixed varieties. say 2  
Extra Early like Lowland Reep. 2 Duchess  
2 Chalkna (or an apple later than Duchess)  
2 Early Sweet (Green Sweet)  
2 Late Sweet (Sugar Leaf type)  
(If he likes sweet apples as well as I do)

Then he will want a crab or two  
and one sweet crab for pickling.

Why not let one row be of mixed varieties  
and the other rows of only one variety  
each.

6 O.K.

7 O.K.

14 O.K.

I think these changes quite  
desirable. Clarence Wray



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A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.

Minneapolis, Minn.

12/15/13

Clarence Wedge,  
Albert Lea, Minn.

Dear Friend.-

Referring to the prizes offered by the Society for "One Acre Orchards", as a result of correspondence with would be competitors, and conference with others, I have come to the conclusion that it would be better to change the conditions somewhat so as to make the contest a more elastic one, giving a larger range to the competitors in the matter of shape of orchard, and varieties to be planted.

Looking to this end I would suggest that paragraph (4), referring to the enclosed copy of the conditions, be changed to read

4. Varieties planted are to be selected by each competitor for himself, but only one kind can be set in any one row. They may be top-worked if desired.

Also that paragraph (6) be changed to read as follows:

6. Distance apart trees are to be planted is to be twenty-five feet one way by thirty feet the other. The rows may be placed diagonally if desired.

Also that paragraph (7) be changed to reas as follows:

7. Number of trees in the orchard 56, eight trees one way by seven the other, or four trees one way by fourteen the other, which gives a choice of four different shapes for the orchard.

Also that paragraph (14) be changed to read as follows:

14. The competitor may grow vegetables, small fruits, etc. in this orchard, or treat it in any other way he may judge best, etc.

If these changes meet your approval, or you may wish to suggest others, it will expedite matters much if I can hear from you promptly, so that if possible the conditions with such changes as seem best to make may be published in the January Horticulturist. There has so far been only one entry so that no one will be inconvenienced by making these changes, and I trust they will have the effect of making this contest more popular.

Cordially,

Sec'y.

*W. G. Brierly*

*WLB*

Entry Number	Score			
657 -----	978	5.868	6	5.80
373 -----	932	5.592	5	5.54
167 -----	846	5.066	4	5.02
338 -----	820	4.926	4	4.86
140 -----	805	4.830	4	4.79
347 -----	793	4.758	4	4.71
380 -----	735	4.410	4	4.37
99 -----	734	4.404	4	4.36
353 -----	713	4.276	4	4.23
243 -----	615	3.690	3	3.66
211 -----	445	2.670	3	2.64
104 -----	No total made	50.45		50.00

W. W. Latham

Sec. M. S. H. S.

Honorable Sir,

Will you be so kind  
as to ~~you~~ return my  
Accounts when you are  
through with them.

I hope you had a successful  
meeting. I could not attend  
(owing to quarantine restrictions)  
will send "That Dollar Bill"  
as soon as I go to town

Yours Very Truly  
Low Bennet

Furnicut

Dec 3-13

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St. Paul, Minn. 10-8-13.

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

Dear Sir:

I find that it will be inconvenient for me to attend the Wisconsin Horticultural Society so will have to give up going although I would like to attend very much if I could.

I enclose two orders which I have received and the amount at wholesale which I expect is what you are used to paying, is \$1.30.

Yours very truly,

J. V. Bailey.



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**A. W. LATHAM,**

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

*207 Bank Block,*

*Minneapolis, Minn.*

Mpls. Oct 29, 1913.

Dear Sir: In reply to your letter  
the 28<sup>th</sup> will be pleased to  
accept your offer to take charge  
of Plant & Flume situated at  
West Hotel in Ore. You truly  
Wm. J. [unclear] }  
Lulu

Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 1913

Mr A W Latham

Dear Sir referring to  
yours of the 6<sup>th</sup> in regard to  
travel, at the coming request  
I thank you for the honor and  
will do my best,

I am to speak in Duluth next  
Sat. on scientific work in plant  
breeding, that has been done  
in the north west,

Can you give me a few facts  
if you can find the letter to me  
at the Duluth Public Library in  
care of Miss E. Hart. What has

Mr. Hansen of Dakota specially  
done.

Yours sincerely

R. P. Boyington

Minneapolis

Mr. A. W. Latham sec  
Mpls. Minn.  
clearing.

Cokato Minn.  
Nov. 8-13

Please send us premium  
list also what would be the  
charge for space 4 by 8 ft.  
or table room 3 x 6 ft. for  
our Corn Breeders Assn display  
at your annual meeting.

Yours very truly,  
Corn Breeders Assn.  
J. Beckman.  
sec.

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November 18, 19, 20, 1913

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## SECRETARY'S OFFICE

Independence, Iowa, 11-1-1913

A. W. Latham.

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Friend Latham

Yours of 10-31 is received.

As I am always willing to contribute my mite in return for the many good things I know I shall receive. you may put me on the program for "Some Observations on Gladioli" or "Root Protection"

You may select the topic that will best fit in your program.

Friend Wedge and several other Minn. friends are getting very enthusiastic over the gladiolus. This is my principal reason for selecting the above

Very truly yours

G. D. Black.

NORTHFIELD,

NOV 4-13

3-PM

MINN.

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A. W. Latham.  
Sec Minn State Hort Society.  
207 Karota Block,  
Dunsmuir,  
Minn.

Northfield Min.  
Nov. 9, 1913

A. W. Latham

Dear Sir & friend

I raised a couple of  
hills of a new kind of  
squash: "Heart of Gold"  
from Henderson &  
have one specimen  
of unusual attractiveness  
weight about 50 lbs

A creamy redish color <sup>is</sup>  
will stand up on <sup>stays</sup>  
end. would you care  
for it for a display squash  
no special value <sup>as to</sup>  
variety. need not reply if  
you do not care for it. Love

Northfield  
Sep 24-13.

Dear friend & others.  
Thinking that the room that  
could be spared would be  
rather small, I thought you  
would want to limit the  
quantity of a variety to be displayed  
to the size of a small wooden  
plate or half peck. or to use  
measures with flat bottoms.

Don't you think it would  
be best to go rather slow  
this year & see how it takes.  
If more could be said & the  
matter advertised longer  
in the Horticulturist a better  
display might be brought.

In the following list I have  
not used all of the \$5.00 & you  
may think of other things to add.

It seemed to <sup>me</sup> that in the  
general display other small  
vegetables like Salsify Parsnip  
Pumpkin & the like would  
be brought in.

Might it not be wise to  
demand that all exhibitors  
should be paid of members  
in the Society. I suppose they  
would be such mostly anyway.

There are so many topics  
I should like to hear papers on  
that it is hard to select the best.

"Home canning of vegetables"

"The need of a better knowledge  
of the individual kind of any  
vegetable for the best results."

P.S. (We can not plant intelligently as to  
distance, nor fertilizers, or culture  
& a good paper could be had on this  
topic.)

"Tomato Culture"

3

Neloir & their enemies.

"Marketing the <sup>vegetables</sup> crop in  
our smaller cities"

If any of this that I have  
written strikes you  
favorable use it & if not  
feel perfectly free to  
discard part or all of it &  
I won't whim a word.

Yours as ever,

H. Baldwin:

Best general display of winter  
vegetables not including hot house  
products. 1<sup>st</sup> \$20 - 2<sup>nd</sup> 15 - 3<sup>rd</sup> 10

Best display of Potatoes 1<sup>st</sup> 15  
2<sup>nd</sup> 10  
(to suit quantity & number of  
kinds as you have room)

Best single squash any variety 1<sup>st</sup> 5  
2<sup>nd</sup> 3

Onions as above 1<sup>st</sup> 5  
2<sup>nd</sup> 3

Ruta Bazar 1<sup>st</sup> 5  
2<sup>nd</sup> 3

Cabbage 1 - 4  
2 - 3

Carrots 1 - 3  
2 - 2

Beets 1 - 3  
2 - 2

Canned fruits 1 - 5  
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Canned Vegetables 1 - 5  
Pkg't glass cans - 4 varieties 2 - 3



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*J. J. Bacheller*

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Seney, Mich. Oct. 29, 1913

A.W.Latham

Minneapolis,

Dear Mr.Latham:

As I am liable to go away very soon to be gone perhaps all winter, I will now send you the \$5 due on my Life Membership in the Hort.Society. I would like very much to attend the annual meeting, but expect it cannot be arranged.

I was in Illinois from June 15 to Sept.1st the past season, and at home in all during the ten months up to that date less than one-fifth of the time. I do not yet know the itinerary of our car, (of which I have charge), but am liable to put in considerable time in Indiana, Ohio and Illinois, in the interest of Upper Peninsula colonization.

With best wishes for yourself and family, I beg to remain as ever

Yours sincerely

*J. J. Bacheller*

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DEPARTMENT OF  
HORTICULTURE AND FORESTRY  
F. W. BRODRICK, B.S.A., PROFESSOR

WINNIPEG

October 29th., 1913.

A.W. Latham Esq.,  
Secretary,  
Minnesota State Horticulture Society,  
207 Kasota Building. Minn. U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of October 22nd., in reference to my attending the annual meeting of your Horticulture Society has been received. I should be very pleased indeed to be with you, if at all possible, on this occasion. I cannot say definitely, however, whether it will be possible for me to get away or not. We are now in the midst of moving to our new quarters, and we are very busy. It may be possible, however, that I can arrange to get away at the time your meeting is being held.

Thanking you for your invitation, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*F. W. Brodrick*

Professor of Horticulture.

The University of Minnesota

Department of Agriculture

University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HOME ECONOMICS

October 28, 1913.

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

My Dear Sir:-

I shall be very glad to comply with your request, if I may speak, and not write a paper. Do you expect to publish the material offered as a program?

Very truly yours,

*Josephine L. Berry.*

Chief of the Division.

B-V

Point Pleasant

"A Place to Rest"

Madison Lake, Minn. Oct 29 1913

Mr A W Latham Secy  
Minneapolis

My Dear Mr Latham,

I would be delighted to read a little paper, merely to provoke discussion, or induce it, were I going to be here (for I have had a lot of experience this season) but it now looks as tho I shall leave for California about the middle of November so you must not depend at all upon me in the least.

Mrs B is already in California and very anxious for my early arrival - I thank you for the invitation to contribute, and assure you I shall greatly miss the Annual Meeting which has always been a source of pleasure and profit to me. Wishing you great success, personally, and for the Society I am as ever  
J M Barclay

Lake City 10-30-13

Mr A. W Latham

Dear Sir:

Your invitation for me to represent the Minn Hort Society at Iowa came in due time and I find I can be spared from business to go. I thank you and the society for the honor.

Visiting the N. J. Hort. Society at Trenton N. J. last winter was my first experience and I think I shall enjoy this, if only I am smart enough to do credit to Minn. - I will be glad of any advice you may give me in preparation and perhaps a summary of the branches of our society and their plans also the special's such as prize Orchard the best seedling apple and others.

Again thanking you I am

Yours Truly

A. W. Beebe.



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Minneapolis, Minn., 10/14/13

A. N. Bates,

Excelsior, Minn.

Dear Mr. Bates.-

I do not know of any one in this part of the state who has had as much experience with the Homer cherry as you have, and I am going to take the liberty of asking you to write a short paper on "cultivation of the Homer cherry at Minnetonka", giving the results of your experience and observation in this direction and such advice as you feel like giving to our membership in the matter of planting the cherry, and especially the Homer cherry. It may be well to make the title of this article "The Homer Cherry at Minnetonka". How will this suit you? I hope you will promptly accept this assignment and give us the benefit of your experience in this direction.

Yours fraternally

  
Sec'y.

Mr. Sec'y  
I will write this  
as requested, & do the best  
I can. Res. of yours  
A. N. Bates.

Lake City 10-21-13

Mr W Latham

Dear Sir:

I will do my best  
on a short paper ~~the case~~  
"The development of a side hill  
Orchard." that is within my  
range and I will enjoy it.

If I could have been  
in closer touch with the manager  
of the Minn-Fruit Ass. I would  
have asked for an opportunity  
to speak for them - but as far  
as I know they have not developed  
the most important feature namely  
direct shipments from producer to  
retailer but bring everything thro  
Mpls - if you see any chance

question Rowley or L.W. Smith.  
about boosting the ass - please  
find out their plans I think the  
Hort' society could assist if  
the Ass' Management will  
furnish the right kind of market

I hope the ass' can yet  
be made to fit our needs -

Yours Respt

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Hutchinson, Minn., 10 24 1913

A W Lattin  
Dear Friend

Your favor of the 10 received in reply will say that I will try & write up at least a short article on top working. I have been very busy of late getting a car of apples ready to ship & got the car off today. I am taking it to North Dak where I expect to be for a few days until I get rid of them. I will be at Page part of next week. I hope to be able this year to attend the winter meeting most of the time next Dec.

Yours Resp  
J. F. Benjamin

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St. Paul, Minn. Oct. 23-13.

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

Dear Sir:

I have been expecting to go to Minneapolis so did not write you but have been very <sup>busy</sup> lately. I was in Minneapolis about two weeks ago and called up your office but you were gone.

I will be glad to read a paper on "The Marketing of Vegetables" as it is a subject that I am interested in.

I think that Mr. Smith who is our president would be pleased to preside at meeting when the vegetable papers are read.

I will try to see you soon and will call up the day before I go to Minneapolis.

Yours very truly,

*J. H. Bailey*

1336 River Boulevard  
Saint Paul

My dear Mr. Latham

Pardon this late  
reply to yours of the tenth inst.

I shall be glad to lead the trip  
how you suggest - Thursday Dec.  
4th at 1.30 P.M. - if it will be any  
help to you in arranging your  
programmes for the annual  
meeting. Very Sincerely

Ornelia W. Boardman

1 Mrs. H. A. B.

10.22.13

4748 Chicago Ave., Minneapolis,  
Oct. 21, '13.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Sec. Minn. State Horticultural Society,

Dear Sir,--

Miss Meeker has consented to take charge of the exhibit of lantern slides illustrating the native flora of Minn. at the winter meeting of the Horticultural Society.

Hoping that the exhibit will be satisfactory and thanking you for your kind wishes,

I am very truly yours,

*Elvira Butler -*

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SECRETARY'S OFFICE

Independence, Iowa, Oct 6-1913

G. M. Latham  
Minneapolis Min.

Dear Friend Latham.

Your letter to friend Gardner was forwarded to me by him.

Pres. Blakeman has just notified me that he has appointed ~~C. F.~~ Chas. F. Gardner, <sup>Osage Ia.</sup> as our delegate to the Minn State Hort. Meeting.

He is, as you know, capable of handling any subject along horticultural lines but at present I think he prefers "Everbearing Strawberries".

Our meeting will be held at Waverly -  
Nov 18-19-20-

Will you kindly let us know who is to be your delegate to our meeting soon as you can conveniently, and what subject he can present to best advantage. I am at work on program and am anxious to get it out soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

G. D. Black.

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Station A, Ames, Iowa,

October 21, 1913.

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

Dear Mr. Latham:-

I have your interesting report  
on Minnesota Pomology for 1913. I thank you for  
giving this matter attention.

With personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*S. A. Beach*

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DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

Oct. 20, 1913.

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

Dear Mr. Latham:

Your letter of the 18th is at hand and I am glad to know that the article on the score card can be used in the next issue of the Horticulturist.

In regard to the paper for the winter meeting, Prof. Cady spoke of this some little while ago, saying that very likely some or all of the members of this Division would be asked to give short papers at that time. Your suggested topic, "Grading and Packing Apples" seems to me to be a very good one for me to handle at that time. I do not know just what the possibilities are in the line of giving a demonstration, but possibly I could have a number of boxes exhibited to show the development of the pack in the box.

I am sorry that I will not have very much time just before this meeting for the preparation of this material as I will be in Washington, D. C., and other eastern points until about the first of December. I will, however, do all that I can in this line and will let you know later the progress of my investigation in this matter. I had originally intended to ask you as to the possibilities of putting in a regular packing school for the whole week of the winter meeting, but my being out of town for the two weeks just previous will make this doubtful and at the same time I understand that there will be no available space in the West Hotel for this work. Do you think it would be possible to work this out, if not this year, then for other years?

Yours very truly,

*W. S. Brierley*

Asst. Prof. of Horticulture.

WGB/D

Northfield Minn  
Oct 15-13

A. W. Matheson

Dear sir & friend-

I am not at all anxious  
to be on the program, but  
if you desire to have  
someone introduce the  
subject of (Home vegetable  
Canning) I am willing  
to take this topic if you  
have no other <sup>person</sup> you desire  
to work in. I hope a bit of  
time will be allowed for  
others to speak too.

Yours as ever  
A. J. Baldwin

4748 Chicago Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

Oct. 17, '13.

Mr. A. W. Latham,

Dear Sir,--

In reply to yours of the 15th I would say that I cannot personally give the proposed lantern side talk on the wild flowers of Minnesota at the coming winter meeting of the Horticultural Society, for I expect to be in southern Europe at that time.

I have many beautiful slides,--a large number of them colored by hand--of which I can write out brief descriptions for some one else to present. Miss Meeker can do this, if agreeable to you. Her address is

Miss Mary K. Meeker,

2548 Clinton Ave.

( Tel. N. W. South 1403 )

Miss Meeker is entirely familiar with the subject, by reason of taking the original photographs.

If you decide to have this talk, please let me know how much time will be allowed for it. The date can be arranged with Miss Meeker.

Very truly yours,

*Elaine Butler -*

The University of Minnesota  
Department of Agriculture  
University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

October 17, 1913.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Secretary, State Horticultural Society,  
207 Kasota Block, Minneapolis.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I am sending you today my article on the score card for box packs. Perhaps it is a little lengthy, but I have thought best to carry the discussion somewhat into detail in order to fully explain the points in the card.

I trust that it will reach you in time for the November issue.

Yours very truly,

*W. G. Brierley,*

Asst. Prof. of Horticulture.

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ST. PAUL, Oct. 14, 1913.

Mr. A. W. Latham, Secretary,  
Minnesota Horticulture Society,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

We are getting together a collection of Minnesota publications which are available and which should be placed in all the public libraries of Minnesota. I notice that the annual membership fee of your society is one dollar. Is there any way in which public libraries could obtain these publications for a smaller sum? Our plan is to exhibit a sample of the publications recommended with a statement of how they may be obtained.

Yours very truly,

*Clara F. Baldwin*

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**Fennville, Mich.**

September 27, 1913.

Dear Friend Mr. Latham:-

Upon my return home from some Chautauqua engagements, I find your favor of the 23rd instant.

Our Michigan State Hort. meet is also held the first week of December and so I cannot suggest any good Michigan talent that will be available for your meeting. In fact, there are very few practical, interesting horticultural speakers in the country. I have "shipped in" a lot of them that were well advertised, but they either did not know how to tell what they knew or else did not fit into our wants.

The fact that our annual meetings clash is the one reason why I have never met you at that time. During the last three years my entire winters have been given up to giving addresses and nearly every date after the coming Christmas is taken for three months. Coming back from the Pacific coast last year, I came your way on my return trip (via Canadian Rockies) planning to call on you, but I reached your city in the evening and business matters at home were calling me there, so I took a sleeper and hurried on, thus missing the pleasure of seeing you. I have been Secretary of our State Society 14 years and am planning to drop out of that work this year. In that event I may be able to meet with you at some future date. I feel that I have given as much time to the Society work as I can afford and now that societies and Chautauquas will pay me well for my talks I must make hay before my sun sets.

W. W. Farnsworth of Waterville, Ohio is the one best man we have had. He is a very large grower of fruits and is a good practical speaker. I have used him many times and he is always good. He would cost you something besides his expenses but he is worth it. George Rowe of Grand Rapids, Mich. makes a good talk and it is sound. He is well posted and is now giving some talks in California. You might be able to get him. For some reason or other, we have always failed to get a good man in Wisconsin. Who has given your society satisfaction that might be available for us? Have you ever tried to hold a speaking contest among the senior students in your Agricultural College? It is our one big feature. Sincerely yours,

*C. E. Bassett*

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Oct. 14th, 1913.

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

Dear Sir:-

This evening is the first time I have had to look up the prize orchard subject.

I would be glad to do what I can to assist on the program, if after describing the extent of my practical knowledge you think I am fitted to write such a paper or should there be none better fitted. During the past year I have been entirely out of the orchards here - J. M. Underwood has directed them and grubbed out all but the sidehill orchard. This sidehill orchard has been my choice of position and soil, and the last planting was under my direction as to preparation of soil, but not selection of stock to plant. Winter killing by weather and mice have left very few of the original trees.

I have not worked personally in this orchard to put into practice the result of the study I have done over the subject, having advised and seen others work it out for

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me is not like doing it myself, but my other duties would not permit this.

My thoughts are in advance of actual practice here, and I fear any attempt at the subject you suggest in your letter would be theory, not practical knowledge. Were I to plant an orchard for myself I would select a hillside north slope, terrace same 30 ft. apart with sidehill plow, with levels 8 to 10 ft. wide following the contour of the land, deep plowing one year in advance of planting; use Virginia Crab two years from piece graft with as low a head as possible (18"), plant in center of levels (25') apart, cultivate as long as I could use one horse, plant Currants bushes between trees and top work trees the third spring, using only Wealthy and N. W. Greening.

If the above will fill your requirements worked out in a short paper, I will offer it as my plan built on my experience with our sidehill orchards during the past 13 years.

Yours very truly,

H. U. Beebe.

The University of Minnesota  
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University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

Oct. 3, 1913.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
Secretary, State Horticultural Society,  
207 Kasota Block, Minneapolis.

Dear Mr. Latham:

I have your letter of the 19th of September and have been hoping to get a chance to make out the score card and explanation for you to publish in The Minnesota Horticulturist. I have been delayed in this further than I expected and had hoped to have it in your hands at the present time. I am writing now to say that I am working upon this and will send it to you as soon as completed.

Yours very truly,

*W. S. Bierley*

Asst. Prof. of Horticulture.

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

Dear Sir:

Your letter of recent date received. I do not know if the bill for the Baltimore Packing Co. which you sent me has been paid but I received their bills and turned them in to be paid. I think that some one has sent their fruit for the Fair in care of the Horticultural Society by mistake and will take it up with the Fair management.

The reason that I did not write you sooner was because I expected to go to Minneapolis last week but cannot go for a few days and will then talk over the premium list.

Yours very truly,

J. V. Bailey,

Northfield Conn  
Sept 22 '13.

Mr A. W. Latham

Dear friend & Bro.

Yes indeed I would enjoy  
seeing a vegetable display  
at the Annual gathering.

The northern half of our state  
raises vegetables so much  
more readily than the fruits  
that a display from them  
ought to enlarge their interest  
in the society. I would like  
to see a liberal lot of premiums  
given to Potatoes as our state  
does so much along these lines.  
There too lets have a prize  
offered for best glass canned  
vegetables. Ask the North western  
Steel & Iron Co of East Conn. Wis. to  
display one of their Home Canners.

Only the vegetables that are  
told had in Dec. would  
be brought out of course.  
& the premiums apportioned  
out according to their impor-  
tance. I wish I knew  
how much you had to  
spend in this way & I  
would be glad to suggest  
a list giving each variety  
its amount as to its value  
& there might be some  
counties up north that  
would like to make a  
display so a prize might  
be given for best display  
as well as individual  
kinds. Will you write me  
what sort you have to  
spend & I will try & send  
you in topics soon.

Fraternally  
J. C. Ballwin

Herkhoven, Minn. Sept. 13. /13

A. W. Latham.

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir:

I sent you an apple  
picked from a tree grown from the  
Malinda apple seed I bought of you  
in the spring of 1906, also 3 differ-  
ent kinds of seedling plums.

They are not as nice & large this  
year as last;

Are they worthy of propagation?  
Kindly let me know

& Obige

O. Biddle.

Herkhoven,

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Oct. 11, 1913.

A. W. Latham,  
City.

Dear Sir:

Answering yours of Oct. 10th, will say that our programs are all ready and we have named the Court House as our place of meeting. I don't think it would be possible for us to change the location without confusing our members.

I wish to thank you for your efforts in our behalf and we will try to get together next year.

Yours truly,

P. J. Doll, pres.

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

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 9th at hand. I am glad that you intend to give the vegetable gardeners a chance to exhibit at the Horticultural meeting and I think that they will respond with a creditable exhibit.

The president of the St. Paul association is Lagford Smith, West Side Sta. R 2 St. Paul and the secretary is Alfred Perkins, Wakefield Ave., St. Paul. The Minneapolis President is Net. Reeves 3410-2nd St. N Minneapolis and the Secretary is Mr Ballinger, 49 Cent market, Minneapolis.

I enclose some statements regarding the Horticultural display at the State Fair this year. I am unable to give a complete writeup and have written to Mr. Swanson to help out in the department that he was judge and also Mr. Bofferding who had direct of that department. I wish you would take what you want from each of our statements and write an article as none of us can give a complete statement.

Yours very truly,

*J. V. Bailey*



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*Nemadji Duluth, Minn., Sept 27. 1913*

*Mr. A. W. Latham*

*Secy. Minn. State Horticultural Society*

*Dear Sir sorry to have been so late  
it answering your letter, I am out here  
at my summer home, went up to Duluth  
to attend to Garden Flower Society matters  
and attend Conger show. I planned.*

*I regret missing the summer meeting  
but did not get any notice of the meeting  
Mr. Harrison said it was a good  
meeting;*

*Respectfully*

*R. P. Boyington*

*Thanks for extra*

*copies of the Horticulturist*

Nisswa Minn.

Sept 15th 1913

Mr. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 9th inst. received, in regard to the seedling apple tree I can give you the following information, the seed was planted 8 years ago has come through winters in perfect shape and never was affected in any way this was the first season it bore fruit having 32 in all

yours Truly  
Ole Bruner

Kisswa Minn.

Sept. 3-1913

Mr. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn.

Dear Sir:-

I mail you in another pkg. a sample of seedling apple raised on my place 15 miles north of Brainerd, planted about 8 years ago, if you think it of any special value let me know and I will give you more information about the tree and also more apples if needed

yours Truly  
Ole Bruner