



## Horticultural Society: Letters Received and Sent

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A. W. Latham.

Independence, Iowa,

Aug 11-1914

Minneapolis Minn.  
Dear Sir.

I am sending under separate cover some photos that you may be able to use in connection with my paper on gladioli. I fear they are not very good.

The photo of three spikes represents Golden King, and the one showing the field shows me making selections from our hand polinized seedlings.

We are having very hot weather and a severe drought so that the blooms do not show up very well. but we concluded to not wait longer before taking the pictures. Very truly yours  
G D Black

The University of Minnesota

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University Farm, St. Paul

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

June 10, 1914.

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

Dear Mr. Latham:

I am sending you to-day the article on a score card for the barrelled apple. It is taken up briefly in places, the intention being to refer to the detail given in the box pack, as the general statements will apply to either one. I have explained the division of the score card and the ratings of each item.

If you can let me know when the Board will meet, I would be glad to get over and discuss this card further if necessary.

I am sending with the article the notes made by Mr. Smith when we discussed the matter of a card. You will note that I have added to the items under pack, the item of compactness, which I think makes the card more complete.

Yours very truly,

*W. G. Drierley,*

Asst. Prof. of Horticulture

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# Score card for judging Box apples

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7 1/2" or larger	95
80 - 112	100
113 - 150	95
163 - 200	85

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## Bbl Apples.

Face - uniformity	5	
color	5	
Size	5	
Condition	5	
fit	5	25

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Pack - *uniformity	15	
Size	10	
Color	10	
Condition	25	60

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tail. condition	5	
Size	5	
uniformity	5	15

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Uniformity - to be considered as a whole bbl - face & tail as well.

A SCORE CARD FOR BARRELLED APPLES

W. G. Brierley, Asst. Prof. Horticulture,  
University Farm, St. Paul, Minn..

The score card for boxed apples, which the writer drew up and used at the recent winter meeting, showed many conveniences and benefits, both to the exhibitors and the judge. In the same display there was a class for barrelled apples, but no card for the assistance of the exhibitors and judge. This lack of a definite score card presented many of the same difficulties that existed in the box displays previous to the use of an accepted card. After the awards were announced, the matter of a score card for the barrel pack was discussed with several of the exhibitors who were present and the following arrangement was generally favored.

The card is arranged in three major divisions, namely, the pack as a whole, the face, and the tail. Each of these divisions is subdivided into the necessary parts as follows:

SCORE CARD

Face	-----	25	15
Uniformity	-----	5	10
Color	-----	5	
Size	-----	5	
Condition	-----	5	
Fit	-----	5	

July. 24 - at - 2 P.m.

Pack - - - - - ~~60~~ 75  
 Uniformity - - - - - ~~15~~ 10  
 Size - - - - - 10  
 Color - - - - - 10  
 Compactness - - - - - 10  
 Condition - - - - - ~~15~~ 20

Tail - - - - - ~~15~~ 10  
~~Condition - - - - - 5~~  
~~Size - - - - - 5~~  
 Uniformity - - - - - 5  
 Fit - - - - - 5

In the use of this card the points would be handled in a manner quite similar to the corresponding items of the box pack. In scoring off for defects in uniformity, color, and condition, the same scheme would be followed as outlined for the box packs.\* The exhibitor should bear in mind, however, that the barrel card has a total of a hundred points and not a thousand so that the cuts, to be relatively no more severe, would be in proportion to the total value of the card.

In the item of "Face" the five divisions are taken to be of equal importance. The apples must be uniform, of a color and size representative of the entire barrel, in good condition, and must fit snugly in the circles.) Color and fit are not considered in the "Tail" as this is not the display end of the barrel.

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\*See article "A Score Card for Boxed Apples" - W. G. Brierley  
 Minn. Hort. Nov. 1913, p. 421.

No P | The three divisions used are considered to be of equal value. In the matter of condition, flat bruises due to the pressure of the head are considered to be a necessary evil and the score is not cut for this. The size must be representative of the rest of the barrel. The use of smaller or larger apples on the tail in order to come out even would be scored off under uniformity.

The item of "Pack" is given the heaviest part of the score, as this is intended to cover the whole barrel from face to tail, inclusive. The division of uniformity is taken to cover the whole barrel inclusive of face and tail. This takes into account the fact that the face and tail may have perfect scores in their own divisions of uniformity and yet not be uniform when compared to the barrel as a whole. This point also prevents the high rating of a barrel faced or tailed with apples larger and better colored than the rest of the pack. It is intended that compactness shall mean reasonable firmness throughout the barrel, neither slackness nor bruising pressure to be present. A barrel in which the fruit does not reach the head would receive no score for compactness.

The writer has not intended to go into detail with this score card discussion, as the purpose has been more to show what points would be considered in such a card and to refer the reader to the score card for boxed apples for the details which are nearly the same.

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Aug. 5th. 1914.

A. W. Latham Sec.

City.

Bear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of the 16th., Don't know any changes to make in the premium list as it now stands.

Talked with Mr. Desmond manager for L. S. Donaldson Co., he wished the list to be left as it is.

I trust we will have more and larger exhibits at the next meeting. I am,

Yours truly,



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Paynesville, Minn., July 18, 1914.

Mr. A. W. Lathrop

Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Friend I enclose four  
Nursery orders sent by you  
to the Parties whose names  
appear on the orders.

Am I right that we were  
to profit  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the amount of the  
orders.

Should have sent these ere this  
but they were mislaid.

yours truly,

Elmwood Select Nursery  
for Frank Brown

G. K.

Jun - 5 - 14

Dear Sir.

I understand I will have to drop out from that contest because I was mistaken on what to plant, I think in this country it is that necessary to have good windbreak for the apple orchard so I planted 107 Expensei Evergreens because I thought I could count them in that ~~one~~ acre, and now I understand I will have to plant all apple trees on that Acre so that its late for me to plant more apple trees this season if you see I planted about one Acre with apple trees and Evergreens together.

Yours Truly H. A. Brodale



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A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.

Minneapolis, Minn. 6/3/14

H. A. Brodalen,

Pelican Rapids, Minn.

Dear Sir.-

I have at hand the plat of the "prize orchard" you have planted, and I find it very well drawn and easily understood. I regret, however, to note considering the distance part that there are not trees enough to cover an acre as required by the conditions. Unless I am mistaken there are sixty-eight trees in this plat. The forty-two others noted as having been planted four years ago could not be counted. The number of trees required at the distance you have used should be not less than 110, so that it would seem that you have not complied with the conditions of the contest. It may not yet be too late for you to do so and plant an additional number of trees to make up the necessary space to fill out an acre, though perhaps you may not be able to secure the trees for this purpose at this date. We hope, however, that you can do so.

Yours fraternally,

*A. W. Latham*

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MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

June 2, 1914.

Mr. A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bld'g.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

My Dear Mr. Latham:

Enclosed please find the Cashman letter regarding Prussian  
Tree Paint.

*Another tree paint for rabbits &c.*

I have invented a paint of my own which may interest you. It is one gallon of sweet milk, about six pounds Portland cement, one ounce of carbolic acid, which proved fairly satisfactory so far as we were able to judge with the one trial. I used it on about 20,000 or 30,000 trees. It must be kept well stirred as the cement is inclined to settlement in the bottom. I used the crued carbolic acid because it is more odoriferous and cheaper. Unless something turns up in the meantime more efficacious I shall use it again this fall. I call it Orchard Gardens Tree Paint Formula, and submit it to the brethren for what it is worth.

Rabbits are our principal pest, and a cheap easy rabbit cure would certainly be heralded with delight in our section.

Did you get enough prize entries to start the competition? If not and you lack a few entries I might enter four or five to keep the ball rolling.

We have just finished planting several hundred trees and have a number of them planted in acre plots which I believe would be eligible.

Mr. A. W. Latham---Page 2.

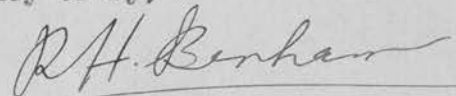
I am interested to know what progress is being made on the compilation and classification of information as per the motion I made and was carried at the annual meeting. I understand one of the University men was assigned to this work. I would like to be informed fully at this time, as a number of us are deeply interested in this part of the work of the society.

Have you heard anything of the State Fair arrangements for this year, or will the exhibit be about the same as usual?

I have been over to see you a few times, but unfortunately have missed you every time.

Awaiting your reply, I beg to remain,

Very truly,



Rhb--T.

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

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

June 2, 1914.

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

Dear Mr. Latham:

Your letter of the 26th ult. has reached me and I would say that I have been trying for some time to get at the article on that score card but have been prevented by the press of other work. This week finishes up my class work and I will have my other work so arranged that I will have plenty of time, I think, for this article.

I do not know that it would be convenient for me to meet with the Executive Board, but I might if my other work here permitted. I am leaving town for a while near the end of the month so that it might be impossible for me to be there.

I will have the article ready for you within the next few days.

Yours very truly,

*W. G. Brierley,*

Asst. Prof. of Horticulture

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G W Latham

Independence, Iowa, May 4-1914

Minneapolis Minn

My Dear Friend Latham.

Your of 5-1 is received and I am very grateful for your offer to illustrate my paper on the gladiolus. Unfortunately we have no good photographs or cuts of gladiolus at present. We expect to have some photographs made soon as they flowers come into bloom about the first of August and will try and remember your kind offer then.

Very truly yours

G. D. Black.

**The University of Minnesota**

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March 27, 1914.

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

Dear Mr. Latham:

I have your letter of the 24th and in reply would say that at the winter meeting Mr. D. C. Webster, of Rochester, and the gentleman who was at that time elected as one of the new trustees of the Society, and myself went over the matter of a score card for the barrel pack and worked out what we three considered to be a very satisfactory card. I did not keep a copy of this because it was my understanding that this matter was going immediately into the attention of the executives of the Society. I think very likely Mr. Webster has kept a copy and will write to him to find out if this is so. If I had thought that the matter would not have been settled then, I should have kept a copy and worked it up, as I did the card for the box judging. You will appreciate my desire to use the score card which was worked up at the winter meeting rather than to go ahead and prepare a new one which might vary considerably, as I do not remember now the exact points and wording of that card.

I hope this will not inconvenience you and will let you know as soon as I am able to straighten it out. I wish you would let me know if anything was done at the meeting of the executive board or if the matter was simply dropped.

I shall be very glad to work toward the establishing of a standard score card as it means a very great convenience

A.W.L.--2

in the judging work, as well as a standard basis upon which  
the growers may base their packs.

Yours very truly,

*W. G. Brierley,*

Asst. Prof. of Horticulture

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United States Department of Agriculture,  
Bureau of Plant Industry.

Horticultural and Pomological  
Investigations.

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Washington, D. C., April 9, 1914

Mr. A. W. Latham, Secretary,

Minnesota State Horticultural Society,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Latham:

A short time ago you kindly offered to supply us with missing numbers of the report of the Minnesota Horticultural Society. On looking over our files I find that the volumes for 1873-75-78-79 are missing. These, of course, are reports during the early history of the Society, and possibly you may not be able to supply them. I hope, however, that you will do the best you can in this matter.

In your letter you mentioned that you thought of giving up the work as Secretary of your Society. You have certainly rendered valuable services, and for a very long time, but I think you will make a mistake if you should quit the work which you are so well adapted to. You would hardly know how to fill in the time after such a strenuous life as you have lived. I really hope that you will reconsider the matter and continue to render your valuable services to your state and the Society.

Yours very truly,

*G. B. Sbrackett*

Pomologist.

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HINCKLEY, MINN., April 6th. 14.

My dear Mr. Latham:

I was somewhat surprised to read in yesterdays paper that Mr. Kirkpatrick has declined the County Agency of Hennepin Co. Can you give me any inside information as to cause? As I suppose the field is again open I would be pleased if you can do something in my behalf as a candidate for the place. I think that I can furnish satisfactory evidence of ability to handle the work. I would be pleased to have you make some inquiries of Mr. Harter, the Commissioners and Mr. Wilson and the other powers that be as to whether my application will receive consideration, of course if there is peletics or any thing aside from fitness for the place being made a part of the race I do not care to enter at all.

Yours very truly,

*L. M. Bloomfield*

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HINCKLEY, MINN., April 8th. 14.

My dear Mr. Latham:

Thank you for the information in regard to the  
Agricultural Agency of Hennepin Co.

I am having some of my friends write some letters in regard to my  
qualifications for the position. Probably the most of them will be in  
next week and I have asked Mr. Wilson to turn them over to the Com-  
mittee in charge of the selection of a man. I will be glad to have you  
look them over if you have the time to do so.

Yours truly,

*L. M. Bloomfield*  
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University Farm, St. Paul

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April 2, 1914.

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

Dear Mr. Latham:

I am glad to hear that you have somewhere the memoranda of the barrel score card which Mr. Langford Smith, D. C. Webster and myself talked over. This card was one that I made up then and talked over with them as to the suitability of the various points and, as I did it when the barrel judging work was still fresh in my mind, I fully believe that the score will be more satisfactory than if I should make out a new one now.

I expect to come into town Saturday morning and will stop at your office then and hope you can have the memoranda for me at that time, or a copy of it, if you prefer that.

I would like to ask if you would think it advisable to make a slight change in the box score card. There have been some suggestions made to me that it would be desirable to give the somewhat larger sized apples a slight advantage over the small apples, that is, to give the apples from 112 to 80's or 72's an advantage of about five points in the score card. I will speak of this point to you Saturday and hope that it will be convenient for you to have me call at that time. If it would not be convenient, I wish you would phone to me and let me know at what other time I might call.

Yours very truly,

*W. S. Brierley,*

Asst. Prof. of Horticulture

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Rothsay Carlton, Minn., Jan 12 1914

Supt - A. D. Wilson

St. Paul Minn

Dear Mr. Wilson

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. Leatham asking me to solicit members for the Horticultural Society, also letter from yourself suggesting that I might offer my services as an agent in the transaction if any one wishes to become a member. Now I believe in the Horticultural Society and am willing to receive subscriptions and distribute the pink leaflet, I also believe in the Beef Growers association and all of the associations that have for their aim the upbuilding of the different breeds of dairy cattle, the hog and the sheep industry, all of them are doing a great work and can only get results by having a membership and I am willing at all times to act as agent and forward the fee to the several secretaries.

It would seem to me that a large chart giving the names of these various associations and stating that the lecturers would gladly receive and forward

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Carlton, Minn.,

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voluntary subscriptions to any and all of these associations would be a very nice way to bring the matter before the people

I have always felt that as the Department advertised "All Free" that it was hardly fair to the audience to take from ten to twenty minutes of time each day urging the people a member of ever so worthy an organization even though the premiums offered far exceeded in value the cost of membership.

I will gladly distribute the free literature and carry a sample of the premiums, and announce from the platform that I will remain after the session and receive subscriptions

Should you consider that my position is wrongly taken and that solicitation should be made from the platform and will kindly state the amount of time you wish given at each meeting to soliciting members. I will try to comply with your wishes

Am mailing Mr. Leathem a copy of this letter

Very truly yours  
L. H. Bugbee

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Paynesville, Minn. 1/2/29.....1912.

Mr. C. W. Latham  
Minneapolis Minn  
yours of 12/22 at hand.  
We certainly endorse the plan  
for getting new members, and  
accept it as outlined in your  
Circular letter.

Please send society folders as  
soon as convenient, 500 will do  
for the present.  
most truly yours.

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Frank Betchmars Jordan

J W Lough Jordan

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**FRANK BROWN**  
SUPT. OF TRIAL STATION

Paynesville, Minn., 1/29-1914

Mr A. W. Latham  
Minneapolis Minn  
yours of 1/28 - at hand.

Would be pleased to get the  
Prize Orchard Circulars, think  
we could circulate a good number.

We have not as yet formed any plan  
as to what offer to make on the trees, but  
think that would be easily adjusted.

yours truly.

Frank Brown

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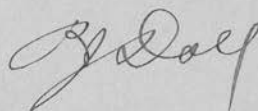
A. W. Latham,  
207 Kasota Bldg.,  
City.

Dear Sir:

Dr. Leonard has decided to bring in a paper by R. F. Hall on 'The Value of Sweet Clover'. A cut of the sweet clover plant would go very nicely with this if we could get it. I tried to get Professor Freeman over the telephone but he will not be in untill tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. I will then try again to see if I can get something suitable which you can use in your paper.

We have decided not to run Professor Jager's paper until about next June or July. We have any amount of matter that we could get in. Any time that you find the matter not suitable let us know and we will give you something else right away. We have promised our bee-keepers that we will have regular articles in the Horticulturist and I believe it is quite an inducement to our members.

Yours very truly,



Pres.

PJD-RE

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## FRUITLAND FARM

FANCY APPLES  
WHITE WYANDOTTES  
REGISTERED JERSEYS

Crystal Bay, Minn., Feb. 18, 1914

Mr. A. W. Latham;

Dear Sir:-

I would like to enter the "Acre Orchard" contest this spring, but the platting conditions make it rather awkward. I have a space of a good acre between two parallel orchards, of 6 & 8 yrs. that are planted  $14\frac{1}{2} \times 18$  feet. I have about ten acres of orchard & this spacing has always proved very satisfactory to me. Will it be possible for

me to plant this way, counting 108 trees  
as a full plot, or will it be necessary  
to leave out every other tree.

Yours truly

Thos. W. Barnard.

United States Department of Agriculture,  
Bureau of Plant Industry.

Horticultural and Pomological  
Investigations.

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Washington, D. C., Feb. 5, 1914.

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

Dear Friend Latham:

Your very interesting report for February has just come to hand. I have read it through from cover to cover, and was greatly interested in the orchard work of Minnesota.

I note on page 96 a reference to "The Roster of the World's Mighty Dead" for 1913 as published in New York City in which a tribute is paid our late friend, Mr. Wyman Elliot. I am preparing for the records of this Department brief biographies of leading horticulturists, and Mr. Elliot's name stands high on the list. I am, therefore, anxious to secure more information in regard to the New York reference. I note from time to time that such data is published in The Sun, World, and other current newspapers. Is that the reference to which you refer, or is the data in book form? I shall appreciate more information in regard to it.

I am anxious to secure biographies of prominent Minnesota horticulturists who have passed to the Great Beyond. If you can aid me in this work, I shall take it as a special favor, for the work of the whole United States is stupendous, as you

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may imagine, and while my memory is very good concerning the men who made the progress of present-day horticulture possible, I must have my facts verified from time to time.

Thanking you cordilly for your cooperation, I am

Very truly yours,

*G. B. Brackett*

Pomologist.

R. C. Brown  
Leghorns



Vegetables, Honey &  
Fruits

GRAZELAND FARM  
GRADE GUERNSEYS.

Carlton, Minn.,

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1914

Ser. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find check for five dollars  
for memberships to Horticultural Society as follows

Lewis Garden,	Gary,	Minn.
M. F. Hanson,	Gary,	Minn.
Henry P. Hanson,	Flemming,	Minn.
A. E. Eid,	Flemming,	Minn.

Charles A. Forbes, Asst-Engineer State Highway Com.  
91 Kent-St. St-Paul Minn

Mr. Forbes did not wish to carry the supplies with  
him so you will please mail him all the supplies.

This leaves one set of the books on hand

Very Truly Yours  
L. H. Bugbee

THOS. W. BARNARD  
MANAGER

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FANCY APPLES  
WHITE WYANDOTTES  
REGISTERED JERSEYS

Crystal Bay, Minn., Feb. 27, 1914.

Mr. A. W. Latham; -

Dear Sir: -

In reply to yours of the 19th will say that I intend to enter the competition under any circumstances, but was hoping that it would be possible to have the distances made more elastic. Some of my old trees are close to 25 yrs. old now, and perhaps should be thinned, altho they have borne good crops right along (14½ x 18). I had no special

difficulty in plowing all thru the orchard both ways last fall. It always seemed more advisable to me to plant the trees quite close, & then thin at 20-25 yrs. old. I can see no particular reason for setting a limit on the number of trees per acre. This might be left to the planters discretion. Please let me know if there is any possibility of having the rule so amended or the limit raised.

Yours truly,

Thos. W. Barnard.



Publishes a Montly Magazine entitled "The Minnesota Horticulturist." Sent free to all members of the Society. Send for copy of the Magazine and Folder containing the "Fruit List" for Minnesota and describing the work of the Society, in publications, methods, etc. Membership fee \$1.00 per annum.

## Minnesota State Horticultural Society

President, THOS. E. CASHMAN, Owatonna, Minn.

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Office (and Library) of

A. W. LATHAM, Secretary,

207 KASOTA BLDG.

Minneapolis, Minn.

2/25/1914.

Dear Minnesota Editor:-

The Minnesota State Horticultural Society has inaugurated a prize contest in the planting of orchards of one acre, to increase the interest in intelligent orcharding in the state, and it is expected that much good will come of the experiences brought to light in this way. The society itself is not especially benefited by it, but instead has to put up the amount, approximately \$1,000, which is offered in prizes.

Would you not like to assist in this good work for the Minnesota planter by publishing in whole or in part the conditions of the contest, to be found in the enclosed circular, including of course also the address of the society, where applications to enter the contest must be sent?

Yours truly,

A. W. Latham, Sec'y.

P. S. We are mailing you herewith a sample copy of "The Minnesota Horticulturist", a monthly issued by the society and printed by the state, showing in part the kind of work the society is doing.

✓ Chas Kahler  
711 E Howard, Wauvona

✓ John Gort  
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✓ Wm L Schultze Elgin

✓ Mrs Geo N Rogers Wauvona

✓ L A Sturkey  
Main City

✓ W K Bates  
Stockton

✓ Mrs W F Coffin  
Homer

~~Frank Dack~~ (2)  
~~R 7 & Wauvona~~

✓ P Horve Kellogg (11)

✓ Ed Holland  
Wauvona 245

✓ E C Cornwall  
Main City

Du Kuipers  
F. A. Rice, Northfield

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

DIVISION OF HORTICULTURE

March 6, 1914.

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

My dear Mr. Latham:

Your letter, in regard to a picture for the pruning article, reached me this morning.

I have no available photograph of myself, but the Pioneer Press of St. Paul has a cut which I know they have used once or twice which you might be able to obtain.

I am sending you a print of a tree which I call "The fate of the three-pronged tree", which I think shows very clearly the effect of removing too many branches in a young tree rather leaving five or six scaffold branches, as I indicated in the paper which I read.

I am sorry that I have no other available prints on hand at present. If I had, I would send them to you and be very glad to do so.

Very truly yours,

*W. G. Brierley,*

Asst. Prof. of Horticulture

WGB/D

RECEIVED BY THE SECRETARY,  
OF THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF  
PLANT INDUSTRY, STOCK PARK,  
3/5/14.

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Hon Thos Cashman

Dear Sir

I find I have not sent in my  
subscription to the Minn state Horticultural  
Society. I also find I have already paid in  
Eight Dollars & was not long sighted enough to  
years ago to have taken a life membership.  
It gives me pleasure at this time to send you  
the sum of 10.00 for a life membership  
ticket. Will you kindly make the correction  
or have it made at head quarters.

Sincerely yours

George H. R Brush.

THE LETSON HOUSE

L. GINTHER, PROPRIETOR

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Alexandria, Minn., March 15, 1911

Mr. A. W. Latham

Minneapolis Minn

Dear Sir

Enclosed please find check for  
six dollars to cover the memberships  
as on enclosed sheet

Am a very poor solicitor it would seem  
as I have given nearly every audience an  
opportunity to become members.

Had a long hard drive to make from  
Leong Prairie yesterday and the season  
closing with some more drives for this week  
and always so little room for our baggage  
so I expressed the case to you from Leong Prairie.

Very truly Yours

L. H. Bingham

# THE LETSON HOUSE

L. GINTHER, PROPRIETOR

Alexandria, Minn., ..... 191...

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J. W. Sill  
Belgrade Minn

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J. E. Sandstrum  
Supt. Schools Belgrade Minn

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Pierz Minn

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E. A. Schmetz  
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C. E. Thompson  
Constock Minn

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L. H. Bugbee  
Carlton Minn

La Crosse, Wis.

Mar. 21. 1914.

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

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Dear Sir:

Kindly send me Every second  
Two to Four Years. Money order enclosed.

Yours truly,

E. A. Buyer.