Cattle are on grass early, oats very green; corn is being planted, times are good, prospect of crops good.

Yours truly,

N. A. Kluck.

McConnell, Ill., May 7.

CATALOGUING FRUITS.

Editor Horticulturist:

Among the many things that the State Horticultural Society undertakes none are of more importance to the general public than its cataloguing of fruits, etc. Formerly these were published in our Reports as recommended lists for general and special planting. Under the new plan the fruits are catalogued to show their qualities, etc., as they appear under culture in Wisconsin. Secretary Philips made a start in our Annual Reports by cataloguing the apple and I hope Secretary Herbst will follow in our next Report with all the other fruits. Not only will this method relieve our Society of the responsibility of recommending and the constant changing necessary to meet changed conditions, but it will be a far more satisfactory guide to new planters. Every tree, plant, flower or fruit worthy of general culture in any part of our state should be catalogued and its various features of hardiness, quality, etc., be designated so any one can easily learn its probable value for culture.

Yours cordially,

A. L. Hatch.

SOME BROWN COUNTY NOTES.

Weather has been exceedingly dry this season. Small seeds are very slow coming up and in many cases have not nearly all started. We are having a thunder shower this
evening which will do much to start seeds not now dead from the hot dry weather. Grass is drying up without starting a seed stalk.

Strawberry plants are doing nicely, and promise a fair crop. Currants are also doing well. There have been but few worms this season, as yet, probably because of very cool weather during the last half of April and the first half of May. Raspberries killed considerably last winter. The onion maggot is beginning operations at this early stage in the growth of the plants.

Out of ten or twelve Wragg cherry trees set one year ago, three were set in the orchard where grass is allowed to grow and are doing well, while the others which were set in a row at one side are nearly all injured and some entirely dead.

IRVING C. SMITH.

Green Bay, Wis., May 27.

REPORT ON SMALL FRUIT FROM BADGER STATE FARM, SPARTA, WIS.

Strawberries show some damage to roots by winter, especially on plats not having natural drainage, Gandy and Haverland showing most damage. Warfield damaged but slightly and Enhance wholly uninjured.

All varieties of raspberries on our grounds, including Cuthbert, Marlboro, Miller and Loudon of the red varieties, and Gregg, Cumberland and Munger of the black caps, wintered well and are very promising, where winter protection was given.

A plat of one acre of Loudon, however, left unprotected was killed to the ground.

Loudon with us has shown itself more subject to fungus diseases than other varieties and we consider it of small