

PREFACE.

In presenting this volume of the Transactions of the Wisconsin State Horticultural Society to its members and the public, I can but congratulate the horticultural fraternity upon the success which has attended your labors during the past, and especially during the year just closed. Through the efforts of a few friends your society now occupies an independent position; your Transactions and reports are hereafter to be published in a neat and substantial manner—alone, and not the attaché of some other body—which may entitle them to a place in the library of every horticulturist, and I trust that the society will have the encouragement and support of each horticulturist, while it has the fostering care of the state. Thus may your future be made even brighter than the past, and your labors be crowned with the success they so richly deserve.

O. S. WILLEY,
Recording Secretary.

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