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Portland, Oregon, July 11, 1904.

My dear, Mr. Bosch,

Your very kind letter received and many thanks for your good wishes. I do indeed want to always consider you among "mine friends". It was due to your kindness that I, first had the opportunity of getting into public notice and I assure you the fact is not forgotten.

I am sorry to hear such accounts of the condition of affairs in our exhibit at St. Louis, for it is very bad for the State and also for our Fair next year; but then it was what might have been expected. They wanted an entire new deal and I guess they are getting it, but unfortunately at the public expense.

This is a hard year to gather specimen for exhibition as we are having the worst drought ever known in the Willamette Valley, no rain since last of April and everything drying up.

With kindest regards ~~fto~~ to all,

Sincerely yours,

Wilbur K. Newell.