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20 April, 1911.

Mr. Harold Hill Blossom,

621 Timken Bldg., San Diego, California.

Dear Blossom:

I am sorry that I have not received the postal cards and photographs showing Spanish houses, as unless I receive them within the next week they will be of no use to me. I was anxious to have them before I left for the West so that I could show them to Mr. Robert McGoodwin, Mr. Harper and also Mr. Bunn, - to try to influence them to build houses of this type and to explain how cheaply they could be built. Bunn, as you know, is a little against building this type or a more elaborate house in the town site because of, as far as I can make out, his personal dislike for them, or else on account of lack of experience he is afraid of the construction. McGoodwin is very anxious to assist in this kind of work and to get something unique and attractive.

FERNS

There is no reason why Donald cannot grow a

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lot of his ferns on benches and when he gets his new lath greenhouse up he can grow them there or in hot beds.

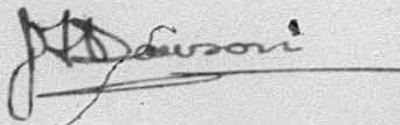
I suggest that you order a lot of paper pots and as soon as the ferns have become a good size we can plant them out under a lath house or even in an open field; they will transplant readily in the open. Another way is to raise them in flats and when they have grown to a fairly good size plant them under the lath house or in hot beds for further development. I think you will have to get a lot more pots, especially the 3" size. If I were you I would order about 50,000-4" paper pots as I think they will be very useful within the next two years.

For this new lath greenhouse be sure to provide a small amount of heat so that you can keep the chill out of it on cold nights. Mr. Rust of South Pasadena has a small heating boiler, but I think in your case a connection could be made underground with your greenhouse boiler.

I expect to leave here about a week from today, going to Spokane and Seattle and then to San Diego.

I am glad to hear that you have reduced the cost of planting.

Yours very truly,



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