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Oct. 5, 1904.

Mr. Robert S. Northrop,  
Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

President Kerr has directed me to reply to your favor of Sept. 27th, and ask you to send at once detailed information regarding your work and experience, stating what schools you have attended, courses pursued, your age, whether married or single, and any other information that you think will be helpful in deciding upon your fitness for the position of Professor of Horticulture and Botany in the College. Send also a recent photograph.

The Professor would have full charge of the work in Horticulture and Botany in the College, and also the work of research and investigation along these lines in the Experiment Station. The salary will be between \$1400 and \$1800 a year, according to the ability and experience of the man employed, with such increase from time to time as the growth of the department and the finances of the institution may justify. A specialist along the lines of Horticulture is desired, as it is intended to have an assistant for the work in Botany as soon as additional help in the department is required.

I suggest that you write President Kerr at your earliest convenience, as he is anxious to have the position filled as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

President's Sec'y