

Kalamazoo House,

O. F. MILLARD, Prop,

Kalamazoo, Mich., Sept. 24 1892

My Dear Seane:

As you know, Kalamazoo is the greatest celery district in the New World. To-day I have taken a long tramp through the celery fields with my Leica camera, and I have enjoyed both the novelty of the celery cultivation and the fine September Inn. I have been through the celery fields before; in fact, I have seen them frequently, but every visit more firmly impresses upon my mind the great natural adaptability

of this place for this particular crop. If you have ever read J. Fenimore Cooper's "Oak Openings" you will recall the marshes of the Crooked Ki-Kalama-zoo river. These marshes are now cleared and drained, but they are always moist; and the deep friable black land is a sight to look upon. Hollanders settled here in an early day, and true to the traditions of their mother country, settled upon these flat lands. The Yankee looks for too quick returns and thus he often misses the best chances.

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