36 Toronto Street.
Toronto 2. April 25th 1928

Dear Mr Goldie! -

I have to acknowledge your two letters of April 1st and April 10th, cheques for 3500 in the former and 2000 in the latter. Have also received auditors report with your explanatory statements enclosed.

Have been going to the doctor every day since about the first of the year and will have to do so until about the end of this month but have been making good progress and expect to end up better than I have been for years. It has played the dickens with my work however and I can only get about an hour a day in the office so am nearly snowed under with back work.

First about cheques issued. You may remember my asking you to get the bank to have cheques printed for us stating "payable at par at any branch in Canada of the bank". They will certainly do it if you put it up to them strongly enough and every cheque you issue until this is arranged puts an unfair tax on the payee. On cheques received from you since last November I have paid even with a special rate nineteen dollars all of which goes to the bank with no adequate service rendered for same. Please get after this and let me know if you have been able to arrange it and if not send me drafts in future instead of drawn cheque.

I like the auditor statement better than any we have had yet; I suppose lumber for mouse traps means devices for

checking the ravages of field mice.

The figures given in schedule 1 are very interesting, the cost of 45¢ for picking packing & shipping seems pretty high. Is it not considerably larger than in the past.

When you send forward your operating statements for the year let us have a detail of the amount 5370.72 (admin. salary & expenses) I think this is the account we might load with say 2000 of expense from Dormer, 4000 from me and bonus to you of 2000.

My son Donald has got a better position and moved from Buffalo to St Catharines so this year I may transfer that stock again, however hope to see you before then. Donald had a son born to him last Friday being our first grandchild so we are coming on.

Mrs Cleland and Isabel were out to their house for dinner about a month ago while Fred was in Florida.

Returning to the Ranch figures: your statement of crop returns shows an average received per box of $1.28 this would seem to be considerably under your estimate of 40¢ per box increase over last year.

Very sorry to hear Dormer has been laid up and will write him at once. He speaks of coming out in July in a letter received about two months ago and if he does I must try to get out West while he is there.

Glad to know things are shaping up well for this year. Keep me posted how they progress. Sorry to be so late in answering your two letters but everything with me is so much behind that I dont know whether I'll ever catch up.

Hope all goes well with you & the family. Kind regards to them

Yours faithfully

J. W. Allison

Vernon fruit union report received

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