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TELEPHONE  
EASTBOURNE 1575.

HODESLEA,  
MEADS,  
EASTBOURNE.

Oct 19. 1923

Dear Sir David Prain

Many thanks for report of  
Committee which I agree I have

signed. Thanks for calling my

attention to the address given for  
the Entom. Socy, I have corrected

it. Also I notice Lick's name  
was put down instead of H. J.

Furniss as a member of the  
Committee, this I have put right,  
so I trust it is now all in order &

Have sent the document on  
to Mr. Grindley for his approval  
& signature if he agrees.

Yours truly  
R. H. Grindley

Friendly Green,  
Cowden,  
Kent.

22nd. July, 1924.

Dear Sir David Prain,

Will you forgive me for once more bothering you about a Gardener for my home in Ulster.

Perhaps you will remember I wrote to you before about this, and subsequently I secured a man from Southern Scotland who has proved himself to be an excellent man but he has "cut up rough" as regards my system of checking sales, mainly, I think, because he objected to be under the Estate Office. However that may be, I have decided that it is no good going on working with a man who is dissatisfied with this <sup>my</sup> sort of arrangements, and we have mutually agreed to terminate the engagement on September 1st next.

If you could put me in touch with a good man I should be exceedingly grateful. I believe the sort of man who would suit me best would be a foreman gardener who is seeking his first place as head man.

With many apologies for troubling you like this,  
Believe me,  
Yours sincerely,

*Antoin*

Friendly Green.

Coventry,

Kent.

April 19/24.

Telephone: Edenbridge Va.

Dear Sir David Paine.

I have just returned from  
Ireland; & Nigel Bond

has told me of your

kindness in trying to hear

of a suitable man or

head gardener for my

place in Ireland.

I am writing therefore to

Thank you for all the  
trouble you have been,  
I am very much obliged  
to you.

I have, after great difficulty,

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secured a man, who I

think may do—A Scotchman

from the Ayrshire district.

Again thank you for your

trouble. I am very truly  
Antoine

ANTRIM ESTATE OFFICE,  
GLENARM.  
CO. ANTRIM.

2nd August 1924.

Dear Sir David Prain,

Thank you very much indeed for your kind letter of July 30th. with reference to a Head Gardener for this place.

The man whom Dr. Hill refers to has written to me, and I will correspond with him (F. Mark) and see if he and I will suit each other.

I fear that I have given you an immense amount of trouble in this matter, but I am exceedingly grateful to you.

With very many thanks

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

*Antrim*

## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

J. C. F. Fryer,  
Director.

Reference No. \_\_\_\_\_

Pathological Laboratory,  
Milton Road,  
Harpenden,

May 21

Herts.

Dear Sir David.

I have today had a letter from the Ministry accepting my resignation - They have been waiting until the Scotch Board post materialized - It has been a very long time about it - but now I gather all is well. The Scotch Board applied to the Treasury - The Treasury has sanctioned it - & the S. B. have applied to the Ministry - This I hear from the Press. I have not had a letter yet myself. Professor Wright Smith is most kind - & has been all along - would you be at home this Sunday, if I came over - I should so very much appreciate a talk with you - Perhaps I shall see you tomorrow at the Luncheon - If so you could tell me when would suit you - & I should so love to see Lady Paine again -

Yours very cordially  
Lilian Atcher



Royal Botanic Garden

Edinburgh.

June 27

Dear Sir David.

I am not sure but that I am writing to you  
rather too soon to be very interesting, but I should  
like just to tell you about my settling in - The  
furniture finally got into the house (14 Taverlyth  
Row)  
on Saturday night - a Mrs Carr & I were in the  
midst of stacked up tables chairs bookcases etc -  
order slowly evolved & on Monday I came here &  
saw Professor Wright Smith & the Macalman & a new  
laboratory. I have an exceedingly nice laboratory  
looking both in the new wing over a corner of  
the garden to the back of the houses in Taverlyth Place.  
It is very light, most of the roof as well as all one  
side being glass - Everyone has been exceedingly  
kind - especially & always Professor Wright-Smith -  
& Mrs Wright Smith has been so good to the girls.  
I have not done any work yet - only seeing people  
& unpacking.

I am to see raspberry growing, etc very soon  
but the tomatoes are not quite through  
and of course as yet there are no specimens.  
Tomorrow is Founder's Day at Little so  
Barney considers I have come at a very appropriate  
moment. The house too that I have got is  
pleasant, & I can look into the Botanic Garden  
from nearly all the windows most of the rooms  
to the back. It is so nice & close here,  
I have just staggered round carrying a pile of  
books I wanted here, which one couldn't do  
if it was far. They all know an awful lot  
here! I feel dreadfully ignorant - but they  
are all very nice - Please give my love to  
daddy Prain.

Yours sincerely  
Lili Atcock