

St. Joseph Mich. July 29 1908

Professor Chas. F. Brims

Alfred

Dear Sir;

Your letter regarding the Astoria, Oregon, proposition came here via Indianapolis.

I have already accepted the work at Blomington and of course could not back out since they now depend on me.

Furthermore I think I am not competent to undertake a viticultural proposition, that is to take the head of it because I have no experience in routine, knowledge of wage scale etc. that are essential to commercial success.

If I might venture to suggest I would like you to offer this to Turnbull as I think him more experienced of course and where he is, he is simply a foreman.

I would undertake viticultural work as an assistant but I think you will agree that there are too many details to viticulture for me to succeed in a new plant as the head of it. I would not make the goods in the cheapest way I think. Thank you.

Yours very truly
Paul G. Cox.