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Mr. Geo. E. Daveyport,  
67 Valley St., Medford, Mass.

Dear sir:—

Yours of the 22nd is at hand,  
enclosing \$3 for subscription 1896. We send  
you by same mail Ja + F 1896, and Dec.  
1895.

We shall be pleased to publish your  
descriptions of new ferns, but cannot prom-  
ise you place in April no. as we already  
have so much ahead. We shall be glad to  
engrave drawing for fern plate, which should  
be in black ink for photo-engraving. Possibly  
we can give you space in May or June no.  
but we have in the editorial drawer now  
over 350 pp. of MSS. ! and we hesitate to  
promise a definite date of publication,  
though we shall assuredly be able to print  
your article if you will send it.

Yours truly

BOTANICAL GAZETTE,



84 Ashbarton Ave.

C  
Yonkers N. Y. Dec. 30. 1904

Mr Geo. E. Davenport -

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67 Felsway West - Medford Mass.

Dear Sir -

In a letter rec<sup>d</sup> within a day or two  
from Mrs E. H. Terry she tells me  
that you desire some *Augusti-*  
*folium* fronds for special use -  
Mrs Terry and I were collecting  
at Dorset last summer, in fact I  
have my summer home there and  
having retired from business I have  
become interested in ferns and in  
orchids -

I am sending to you by express  
prepaid under another cover some  
*Asplenium Augustifolium* for your  
use - I also send some other fronds  
upon which I would like to have

you write their names. and return  
them to me unless you find some-  
thing that you would like to have.  
Anything that will be of service  
to you kindly appropriate it -  
If I can be of any service to you  
in the way of fairs at Dorset the  
Coming summer I shall be glad  
to do - I hope that Mrs Terry  
will again visit Dorset in 1905

Very truly yours

Allan Bourne

A ✓  
Dorset Vermont.

July 17<sup>th</sup> 1905.

My dear Mr Davenport -

I have been looking up the  
Botrychium of Dorset this  
summer and have found

*B. virginianum*

*B. simplex.*

*B. Matricariaefolium*

*B. lanceolatum*

The ternate grass ferns are here and  
will come later.

I do not find *B. gracile* as shown in  
Mr Waters book - I note that Mr Clute  
does not mention it in his book  
"Our ferns in their haunts"

I send herein a few samples of B.  
Will you kindly say if I have the  
names O.K. Are there any friends  
from Dorset that I can collect  
from this season? It would be  
a pleasure for me to serve you -

Yours truly

Allen Town

Mr G. E. Davenport  
67 Felsway West  
Medford  
Mass.

Dorset Vermont.

July 26th 1905

Dear Mr Davenport -

Thanks for yours of the 25th  
When the later *Potrychium* come  
I will put up a package for  
you gladly - I find a great many  
small "gracile" but without fruit  
The *Virginianum* with fruit are  
none less than six inches high.  
Mrs Ferry comes to Dorset next  
week and I may be able with  
her help to identify others -  
I have found but few *Ophioglossum*  
this year. Have been looking for  
"obtusilobata" the past weeks -

I have been hoping to see  
"Lunaria" but it don't come to  
sight as yet -

Yours truly

Allan Bourne

Sorset Vermont -

August 16. 1905

Mr G. E. Davenport -

67 Felsway - West - Medford Mass

Dear Mr Davenport -

I sent to you sometime since by  
mail a package of Botrychium  
but did not advise you that I  
had sent them - I hope to send  
more later - These were some that  
I had left over last year -

I should like very much to send  
to you a part of my collection for  
you to name. I am greatly puzzled  
over the Cristatum varieties that are  
found here and Mrs Terry is as much  
puzzled I think. Would it be an im-  
position to ask so much of you?  
Cristatum, Boottii, Clantonianum and  
Glossum are those that bother us -



2 Mrs Terry said she was to send some  
Botrychium to you and I gave her  
some simplex, lauceolatum and  
Maticariaefolium to go with hers  
when she sends -

I have looked faithfully for a Botrychium  
gracile like the picture in Water's book  
but I can only find a small Uguiv  
ianum.

Yours truly

Allan Down

Dorset Vermont -

Sept. 4. 1905

My dear Mr Davenport -

I am sending to you by express  
prepaid a package of ferns in  
reply to yours of Aug 19th.

There are two enclosures in the pkg  
One of them I would like to have  
you return at my expense. The  
other if of any use to you I  
would be glad to have you keep.

Our chief difficulty seems to be  
to distinguish between

*Cristatum*

*Boottii*

*Boottii multiflorum*

*Clintonianum*

*Glossosmae*

2 of these I have sent specimens  
and have placed with several friends  
a slip of paper with questions -  
Mrs Terry brought some *Sloosma*  
from Pittsford Vt. and the fronds  
are to my mind very like *Plutoniamum*  
They are either one or the other -  
Then the *Bootic* are still much like  
the others in form of not in size -  
I shall hope that your eyes may  
be restored to normal soon that you  
may be permitted to finish your  
Monograph on the *Botrychium*.  
I have been hoping to find some  
*Moonwort* but it don't appear and  
also *tenebrosum* which I do not  
see unless we can call the small

3 *Matricariaefolium* that name =  
Dr Swift from Pittsford was here last  
week and photo'd *Brauneria* and *dil-*  
*itatum* growing - Yes Dorset is  
a great place for ferns -  
With kind regards

Frederic  
Allan Down

Dorset Vermont -

Octo 10. 1905

Mr G. E. Davenport -

Medford Mass -

My dear Sir -

I sent to you by express prepaid  
a month ago nearly a lot of *Reetia*  
*Saurina* roots. Did you get them?

Yours truly

Allan Brown

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84 Astor Bureau Ave.

Yonkers N.Y. Dec. 23 1905

My dear Mr Davenport

I was looking over my ferns this  
afternoon when I came across a  
number that I have mounted  
and upon which I have placed  
no name and then I remembered  
the package which I sent to you  
so long ago and I did wish so  
hard that I had had that were  
coming back to me. Yours with a  
Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!  
Allan Bourne

84 Ashburton Ave. 1  
Yonkers N.Y. Jan'y 13. 1906

My dear Mr Davenport -

The pkg arrived in good order  
and I thank you for your kindness

The blueprints and specimens are  
fine - I am glad to know that we  
have the *Stossonae* at Dorset -

The fossils which you think are  
between the *Cristatum* and the *Cin-*  
*tionianum* grow on the upland  
while the others grow in or on the  
border of swamps.

If there are any specimens that  
you would like to have me send for  
you the coming season kindly advise

Very truly yours  
Allan Towne

Camden N. J. Dec 15<sup>th</sup> 1873

Mr

Geo. E. Peckham

No. 8. Province St. Boston

Dear Sir

I rec your of the 8<sup>th</sup> desiring a specimen of *Asp. Ebnoides*. much to my regret I cannot as I have but one left. I collected 4. one went to the Academy, one to Europe. and one decided part to Mr. Eaton de la Gray, as it is a hybrid. It will be difficult to find as the locality has been stripped and turned into a summer resort. I have not gone into it as extensively as you have judging from your list. I have collected and examined very closely into the various modifications and odd varieties of my neighbourhood

and these some more strange than  
that variety. I have thought of  
sending some to either Mr. Eaton or  
Mr. Gray. But they may be filled  
then with some antislavery names  
I. and so. However for which I  
Vindictive 24 inches with 4 divisions  
in it one injured. Should I be so  
fortunate as to lay my hands on an  
other, I shall <sup>be</sup> glad to have it.

I went in the fine Carrens and found  
Schizoa Purita, in a ~~new~~ new location  
and brought a couple with me to  
delight all the Botanists in the country  
I will be pleased to hear from  
you when ever you feel disposed  
to write I am very respectfully &c

Thos. P. Baurgess  
Camden N. J.



London Dec 20<sup>th</sup> 1873

Mr

Genl. D. D. D. D.

Postoffice

Dear Sir

I herewith send  
you of the find of the  
Tasman collected by me  
on the station between Sept 1872  
& just landed it there 1871.  
I did not again to see if it was  
still there two years after. But  
I did, should you at some  
future time desire others I will  
if possible send them. Look on  
the map you will find that it  
has not before been found on that  
island. I do not think that a  
careful territory has been examined  
sufficiently to decide upon anything

The party who were with me  
in N. passed over the ground  
a short time before me and  
did not discover it until  
I called their attention to  
it. much more could  
be written about party business  
& hope to hear from you  
when ever it is convenient.

Most Respectfully

I am &

H. Thompson



Boston, June 7<sup>th</sup> 1888

My dear Sir,

It is with great pleasure I accept in behalf of the Methodist B. B. Association the enlarged photo of the ~~refined~~ ~~young~~ men, which most certainly reflects great credit upon your self, for it is an excellent likeness of each man, & most artistically finished - I wish we had more such kind hearted & generous men in our old town - I am much pleased that I have a personal acquaintance with your good self, and

trust I may some time  
have an opportunity of  
showing in some way  
my appreciation of your  
generosity; and I trust  
such letters as this, (I hope  
you are agreed may not do so) will  
serve to show you  
how you are held in  
the minds of your friends  
and to grant the privilege  
of signing myself as one.

Yours truly  
Wm. Butler

To L. O. Davenport

Canon City,  
Colorado  
Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 1878

Mr. Geo. E. Devenport,

Dear Sir, your letter of Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> has been recd. - Having no way of access from the place it has remained unanswered some time - With this letter

I send a package of Colorado Ferns containing -

*Notrolana Fordii*

*Asplenium septentrionale*

*Woodsia Oregonica*

Several specimens of *Cheilanthes lanuginosa*

a few " " " *Sandleri*

1 or 2 " " *Catani*

\* *Pellaea virgata*

I am very sorry some of the specimens are not in better condition, but they are the <sup>best</sup> I have on hand now

I have specimens of all your duplicates

Yours truly

A. S. Blandford

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Canton City, Cal.

April 10, 1874

Mr. Geo. Davenport,

Dear Sir, your package of ferns arrived safe and I am very much obliged to you. I am now almost entirely out of Colorado ferns but will soon begin to collect again and will send you those you wished as soon as I have them.

I have put in the letter a few small ferns of *P. longistylis* hoping they may not be broken by the way of you

Yours truly,

G. S. Brandegee

Cannon City,  
Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> 74

Mr Geo. Davenport, Dear Sir, yesterday  
I recd some ferns from you and  
am very much obliged. I had spec-  
imens of all of them, but am very glad  
to get representatives of different localities

I first commenced collecting ferns  
in New England, in Berlin Conn. con-  
sequently am well off in Eastern ferns -

About 34 ferns grow in Berlin  
and some uncommon ones in great  
abundance. Woodwardia virginica, Camp-  
toseris, Lygodium, Pellaea atropur.

Aspl. Ruta-muraria and angustifolia etc.

My Colorado ferns do not seem to be  
very plenty in herbaria for I have  
requests for them from all over the

U.S. - I have now nearly all of the  
ferns of the U.S. and Canada -

I send a few ferns to you which  
have not before sent, I believe

- A representation of *Aspl. filix-mas*  
from the vicinity of Canon City,  
collected in Sept-1874

*Chelamthes Eatonii* - from near  
Wilson Ck. Park. 16 miles from Canon  
City - Sept-1874 - Rocks

*Woodsia scopulina* - from the  
banks of a subalpine lake of Lake  
Ck Canon, altitude 10,500 ft, Sierra  
Sangre de Cristo, Fremont County  
August, 1874.

Yours truly

L. S. Brandyee



Canon City,  
Colorado  
Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>  
1874

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport.

Dear Sir, Some-

time ago I recvd. a letter from  
you and a package containing  
*Polypodium intermedium* & *Aspl.*  
*acauleatum* - I am very much  
obliged to you - Today I send  
a package containing *Aspl. Sep-*  
*tentrionale*, *Natholaena Fendleri* and  
*Woodsonia Scopulina*. The *Woodsonia*  
is from the Sierra Sangre de Cristo

Hoping that they may reach  
you in good order  
I remain

Yours truly

L. S. Pringle

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Canon City, March 18

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport

Dear Sir, I have just returned to Canon City after more than one month's absence - surveying a township west of Pike's Peak. On my return I found of Postal Card, letter and two packages of ferns, also letter to the Postmaster at Canon City I suppose you imagined I must have left Canon City after having read the corrections of the Botanical Directory I do not know what that "out of place" means but I am certain that I am yet in Canon City and expect to be here, I do not know how long a time - I am very much obliged for the ferns - I had only *A. aculeatum* v. *Braunii* from Vermont and poor specimens of *Lomaria*. Do you correspond with L. Cleveland - San Diego - California? I have lately recd from him a

Package of splendid ferns &  
Notholaena Newberryi  
Adiantum Chilense  
Cheilanthes } myriophylla  
                  } California border

I return the ten cents, sent to  
the Postmaster

Yours, very much obliged

M. S. Brandegee

1875?  
Cannon City,  
Apr. 28<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Geo. E. Davisport -

Dear Sir, Your letter concerning living roots of ferns was recd. some time ago -

To-day I send by mail a box containing roots of *Cheilanthes Eatonii* & *Fendleri* - I can pick up living specimens of Colorado ferns during the summer and send them to you by mail

I suppose you do not care for *Aspl. septentrionale*, *Aspl. Filix-mas* - *Allosorus* - *Pteris* - *Botrychium* &c. You wish ferns of Colorado that grow in no other place -

I have so many requests for seeds <sup>living</sup> plants, cacti, ferns &c. that I can not very well afford to pay postage <sup>on everything</sup> especially since rates have been doubled - If you will send stamps

I will send you in the  
course of next <sup>month</sup> any and as many  
living ferns as you may wish —

I have collected some fine  
herbarium specimens of the Catoni  
Do you wish any?

Yours truly

Wm. Townsend S. Brandegee

Aspidium Californicum  
" Ludovicum  
" juglandifolium  
Cystopteris montana  
Woodsia hyperborea  
Adiantum Mexicana  
Botrychium simplex  
" boreale  
" lunaria  
" matricariaefolium  
Epiphyllum nudicaule

Canon City,  
May - 13<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,

Dear Sir - I have recd. your  
letter of May - 5<sup>th</sup> - Yesterday I sent  
by mail some roots of Woodsia  
Oregonia with a plant or two of  
Cheilanthes Fendleri - To-day I send  
some botanical specimens of Cheilanthes  
Latoni, collected April 25<sup>th</sup> 1875 -  
I have collected no specimens of Pellaea  
Wrightiana this year yet but expect  
to do so in a few days when I will  
send you some - Woodsia scopulina  
grows high up on the Sangre de Cristo  
so that I can not find any before  
August - I will try to send Notholaena  
Fendleri & P. Weylana this week  
The only Botrychium I have found in  
Colorado is B. Virginicum  
My collection of N. A. Fossils still  
lacks the following species - I hope

to near some of them in the  
course of a short time

Yours truly  
W. S. Brander.

*Acrostichum aureum* "  
*Polypodium Phyllitidis* "  
*Gymnogramme pedata*  
*Notolaena ferruginea*  
" *Candida*  
" *cretacea*  
" *tenera*  
" *Parryi*  
*Cheilanthes Wrightii*  
" *aspera*  
" *Lindheimeri*  
" *tomentosa*  
" *argentea*  
*Pellaea Breweri*  
" *flexuosa*  
" *pulchella*  
*Filixanthus pilosum*  
*Blechnum serrulatum* ✓  
*Asplenium ebenoides*  
" *Bradleyi* my *taxifolia*  
" *myriophyllum*  
*Phegopteris alpestris*

Canon City.

May 26<sup>th</sup> 1876

Mr. Geo. E. Swenport.

Dear Sir, I recd. your letter last evening — I am now expecting to go with a division of Hayden's Expedition down into southwestern Colorado and New Mexico — The plan is that I am to assist the topographer and collect plants as much as possible. I am so familiar with the flora of Colorado that I think I <sup>can</sup> get most every thing new and interesting — I am very certain that nothing in the fern line can be overlooked —

If you have not sent me any of those ferns you spoke about, I think you better wait until some future time —

We expect to leave Pueblo the first week in June — if any thing happens to prevent me from going I will write and let you know of it — <sup>In any event</sup> At any rate — letters directed to Canon City will reach me  
Yours truly — G. S. Brander



St. Elmo,

Chaffee Co.

Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>  
1880

Colorado

Mr. Geo. Davenport,

Dear Sir, I rec'd. your postal-card some time ago. No *Cheilanthes Tenuiflora* grows in this vicinity and I haven't a single specimen with me and know no one in Colorado who can collect it. I probably have specimens in Canon City but I do not know when I shall be there - perhaps not until New Year's - I have not seen my specimens of *Notolaelaps Hostoni* for a year and don't know how rich I am in it.

Mr. Redfield has sent you some *Cyrtopterus montana* and I enclose some more with *Bolychium Luridum*, *lanceolatum* and *Phygadeuon* *trigyna* - all from Colorado. I am sorry that now I can not be of more help to you.

Yours truly

J. S. Brandegee

Jan. 12. 1904

Gen. E. Davenport Esq.

Dear Sir - I have sent you a  
fern from the mountain Ixtaccihuatl,  
Mexico. It somewhat resembles your  
*Notholaena nigida* but is more like a  
*Chalcantus*. Dr. Purpus sent quite a  
number of ferns but I had no difficulty  
in identifying them with Pringle's Plants.  
Will you please send me the name.

Yours much obliged,

J. S. Brandegee

T. S. BRANDEGEE,  
FIRST AND REDWOOD STREETS,  
SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 5, 1904

Mr. G. E. Davenport,

Dear Sir. Recd. your letter concerning the *Notholaena*. If you publish anything about it, I would like you to print in a signature of Zoe that will be issued soon. The publication will be filled with descriptions and notes of Mr. Purpus Mexican Plants.

Yours most obliged,  
T. S. Brandege

T. S. BRANDEGEE,  
FIRST AND REDWOOD STREETS,  
SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

San Diego, Cal., March 1, 1904

Gen. E. Davenport, Esq.

Dear Sir, I can give you no more information in regard to the root-stock of the fern than the specimen itself sent you gives. There is no desire on my part to describe it if new, especially as all the credit for the necessary knowledge must belong to you.

There is no necessity of haste in the descriptions &c. if the fern should be new but it would be published if sent even with other species of Dr. Purpus' Mexican Plants in a signature now being made ready.

Yours truly,

T. S. Brandege

Best wishes for you & wife

T. S. BRANDEGEE,  
FIRST AND REDWOOD STREETS,  
SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 6, 1904

Mr. Geo. Davenport,

Dear Sir, I have been collecting in Mexico this summer and of course found some ferns. The enclosed if it is an *Anemia* may be new - I may send you others later if I find any of interest.

Yours truly,

T. S. Brandegee

*Anemia Brandegeae* Davenport

New species, new type of *Anemia*

specimen badly crushed.

G.D.

of sent to Fern Bulletin for Jan. 1905, with drawing by Davenport

*Trochopteris* Gardner. Hb. Jones 1, p. 24 & 78

*Trochopteris* Gardner. Only specimen of this plant of Brandegee's larger - fronds pinnae in lower half upper half deeply pinnatifid, lower part lobely pinnatifid, fronds very pubescent especially near the base of the pinnae.

Send for more, sent to you in 1905

T. S. BRANDEGEE,  
FIRST AND REDWOOD STREETS,  
SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

now from

to be filled out for my sheet of the  
of *Aspidium* *leucophaea* for you to be so kind

H

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 12 1905

Geo. E. Davenport Esq.

Dear Sir, The *Aspidium* was collected about six feet from the base of a high cliff where there was an inch or so of soil as if a moss had grown at the place.

I saw only one colony, about two dozen plants growing in an area of a square foot. The locality is Cerro Colorado, 8 miles from Copradia, east of Culiacan State of Sinaloa, Mexico. Cerro Colorado is less than 3000 ft. elev. and near the State of Durango.

Now and then, I print "Zoe" and of course like to publish the new species of my own collections but have no objections to having it published by Mr. Clute.

I have quite a lot of forms but haven't looked them over yet. My collection is very large and full of undescribed species

Yours much obliged

Townshend Stith Brandegee

Townshend Stith

thanks for the compliment

Geo. E. Devanport, Esq.

Dear Sir - The correct date is  
Nov. 5. Much obliged for the  
names.

Yours truly,

J. S. Brandegee



VOTE FOR

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GEO. EDWARD DAVENPORT | X

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FOR SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FROM WARD 2.

His eleven years experience and faithful  
service entitles him to re-election.

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E. J. Powers, Printer,



157 Washington St.



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\* 2m from water

\* *hemisphaera hemisphaera*

*[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten notes and bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*

T. S. BRANDEGEE,  
FIRST AND REDWOOD STREETS,  
SAN DIEGO, CALIF.

H  
San Diego, Cal., Apr. 16, 1906.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,

Dear Sir, I have sent you the package of Ferns. The only need of haste is that I will distribute the sets of which they are a part, in a month or two.

Yours much obliged,

T. S. Brandegee

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

BERKELEY

Jan. 28. 1907

H  
Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,

Dear Sir, I have sent by mail the four ferns. After doing up the bundle I found a duplicate paper of one and was able to write a better label which I put in this letter.

Dr. Purpus sent a good many ferns new to the Herbarium, but I was able to identify them, such as *Cibotium* Scheed. iii, *Acrostichum pellatum* etc.

Hoping your health may be better,

Yours Truly,

J. S. Brandegee

Purpus Plants

From Dr. Rose

- 513 *Meibomia plicata* (Ch. & Schl.) Kluntze  
1746 " *callilepis* (Hemsl.) "  
1800 *Salix Pringlei* Rowlee, fide C. R. Ball  
1801 " *Mexicana* var Seemana "

From Mr. Davenport

- 1585 *Acrostichum recognitum* Kze.  
1586 - 1588  
1587 = *Acrostichum squarrosum* Swg.  
1589 - Agrees with specimen of *Acrostichum*  
*intermedium* Fée in Gray Herb. from  
Herb. (2538) Com. Scienc. Mex. U. Bourgeau  
1865-66 - *A. elongatum* Kze appears  
identical  
1591 - *Polypodium lancolatum* L.  
= 1156 from Orizaba  
1594 *Acrostichum recognitum* & *A.*  
*latifolium*  
1595 *Aspidium juglandifolium* Kze.  
1603 *N. patens* Sw. - imperfect sori.  
1605 *Asplenium lunulatum* Sw.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

BERKELEY

Normal College N.Y.  
March 27th 84.

Geo. E. Davisport Esq.

Dear Sir, -

Since you specimens  
of *Woodia ilvaceus* from Suddlers Notch  
Vermont - collected last summer which  
seem to me to grade into *W. hyperborea*  
in such a way that the lines of distinc-  
tion are hard to draw. I have in my herbarium  
specimens collected two years past in which  
the length of the stem below the joint and the  
shape of the scales or stem vary all the way  
to the typical *Woodia ilvaceus* - and *W. hyper-*  
*borea* seems only to be a form growing shaded  
on cliffs or moist ledges - Chas. Butter  
who accompanied Mr. Clark on his collecting  
trips also went with me and the fern he  
collected as not striking in the Notch as *W. hyper-*  
*borea* seems to me only close to *ilvaceus* - I  
enclose the following -

No. 1 - *H. ilicifolia* - Cliffs of Mt Mansfield  
in North Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> 82 - E.G.K.

No. 2 - *H. ilicifolia* - Cliffs of Mt Mansfield  
in North - Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 83 - E.G.K.

No. 3 - *H. ilicifolia* - Cliffs of Mt Sterling  
in North Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 83 - E.G.K.

No. 4 - *H. hyperborea*? - Cliffs of Mt.  
Sterling - in North Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> 83 - D.R. Brutter.

I have *H. hyperborea* from Künigle's collection  
and " " " " my own collecting  
which are only 3 inches high and agree  
with Eaton's description but I find in Brutter's  
Flora of Europe figures which seem to agree  
with No. 4 -

Respectfully  
Elizabeth G. Knight.

152 E. 26th St.

April 24

Mr. Davenport,

I cannot thank you  
 enough for these costly photographs. The  
 Dickhaut view of Mt. and Lake is a curious  
 twist of fact, and Mr. Mansfield seems  
 to make it possible to get out the clin  
 and down to the little Lake when I have  
 wanted to go - How the Firm and its "house"  
 are very acceptable and I can express  
 my pleasure very incompletely, for I have  
 wanted to get views of the "Hohen" but never  
 succeeded. - Some day I should like very much  
 to climb down from the clin - following the outlet  
 of the Lake down into the North. I once climbed  
 down the head-wall of Suchman's Narrows to  
 Summit Lake and out to the Helen Kinnear from the  
 summit of Mt. Washington and never enjoyed  
 anything so much. - I hope you have had



was fine to offer you in return for your generous  
gift but would not if you like to give  
for yourself or any friend interested in science  
a specimen of *Escutellium boreale* M. & C.  
in fruit - as I have a few others collected  
in the Wisconsin Dells last summer.

I sincerely rejoice in Mr Pringle's opportunities  
for exploration and hope that matters will  
eventually enable you to renew your valuable  
investigation of ferns.

Very sincerely yours  
Elizabeth H. Knight.

George E. Parryson,  
Medford Mass.

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, March 30<sup>th</sup> 1886

Dr. G. B. Sargent,

Dear Sir:

Your very kind  
note of the 26th is received as also the  
Form notes, which are very interesting. I  
had hoped to have space for them in the  
April number, which has reached page  
proof and contains 20 pp and two plates,  
but the last proof is just received and  
there remains but 15 lines, so that I shall  
have to edit them as well as Gray. I will  
have it set up just as soon as the 4th.

Number is out and will send you proof.  
I have written to J. Reverdon for a set  
of his ferns, between our own collection  
and that of Columbia College. We shall not  
duplicate very much. Columbia too will  
possess a specimen of *Asplenium Pacificum*  
from the U.S. I have been putting  
the ferns of the collection in order. If  
I check them off on your exchange list  
would it be too much trouble for you to  
see if among your duplicates you have  
any of our desiderata. We will try and  
reciprocate if we have any that you lack  
in the way of ferns.

Very truly,  
G. S. Peck

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, April 14<sup>th</sup> 1886

Dr. J. D. Sargent

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please

find proof of some notes - some they needed  
is much mistaken - evidently some notes  
are similar. You would be glad to  
check - but would I will attend to soon.  
We shall be very glad to have a plate  
with notes for Sargent, and do not wish  
to burden you for them if a month later  
will suit you. We come to learn that  
you are making up - these are one of the  
greatest challenges in the history.

Yours truly  
L. B. Williams

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, May 15th 1885

Dear Mr. [unclear]

Dear Sir: Do you wish

my letter in the Field Bulletin?

We do not know how many - But do

you wish to print your new description  
in the June number - If so will

you be able to let us have 25 copies

by May 22<sup>nd</sup> and plate by the 24<sup>th</sup>

of 25<sup>th</sup> - Very truly

Yours  
H. B. Knicker

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, June 14<sup>th</sup> 1880.

Prof. C. D. C. [unclear] [unclear]

[unclear] letter 1st

is received - We shall have no  
Mr. C. at all and proof sent to you  
for correction is soon to receive.

The number of our last plate is I VII  
so that yours will be I VIII. In the  
the Bulletin so that attempt to be  
made to correspond, unless you prefer to  
send printer to it - in which case please  
- mail us a proof attached in your next.

and we will attend to the heading  
of the work. The plates should be sent  
to us at Cambridge if need be, or we may  
ask if they require any printing above  
below please send them to  
119-121 Nassau St. N.Y. — our address  
so that we may reform them.

Very truly yours  
G. L. Bentham

Mrs Elizabeth G. Bentham  
24 North Ave  
Cambridge

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

Cambridge July 24th 1886.  
NEW YORK.

Dr. C. Davenport.

Dear Sir: Your note received  
at 11 and the omission despatched to  
printer on the 12.30 mail from here. It  
will reach him Monday morning before  
he begins paging, so that it will make  
no difference. Many thanks for your  
prompt notification, as also for selecting  
the ferns for us.

Very sincerely

E. L. Britton.



TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

Cambridge July 27<sup>th</sup> 1886  
NEW YORK,

Esq. G. Duran.

Dear Sir,

The ferns and  
plate have both arrived. Please  
accept my thanks for the same. The  
bill has been received and sent to  
the Treasurer. If you will give me  
Mr. Frazer's address I will send it to  
the Treasurer also. I feel that we  
owe him our most hearty thanks.

Farewell  
Very Truly

E. G. Britton.

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School of Mines, Columbia College,

CORNER 49TH STREET & 4TH AVENUE.

New York, Aug. 9th 1866.

Mr. E. Darwport,

Dear Sir:

I have just finished laying out the ferns for mounting. We opened the package this morning for the first time and thank you exceedingly for the handsome copy of *Notholaena Pringlei* which we shall have framed. Our thanks come rather late - but I saved the opening of the package till Mr. Britton could see them with me. I thank you also exceedingly for the specimen of *Adiantum tricholepis* which was so rare! and in fact for all the specimens which

are a decided addition to our gem-collection.  
Nos 446 - and 455 are not named and do not  
appear on the list in the Bulletin. Will you -  
on your return home, kindly give me the  
names for these numbers.

Mr. Britton joins me in kindest  
regards and best wishes for improved health

Very sincerely  
E. G. Britton.

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB  
COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, Aug. 25th 1886.

Geo. E. Darwport:

Dear Sir:

We have just

returned from a most pleasant meeting of  
the A.A.S. in Buffalo N.Y. and find this will  
awaiting us, which we forward. Please let  
us know what number of the Bulletin you  
wish in duplicate to complete your set of  
Fern Notes.

Very sincerely  
E. L. Britton.

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB  
COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1886.

Yes. G. Donipoll:

Dear Sir:

We can easily give a correction for No 435 at the end of volume when we publish our list of Errata in Dec. so do not concern yourself about it. When you have sufficient leisure we shall be glad to hear with regard to the fern-note copies which you wish. I enclose two ferns

which I had two the duplicates  
of Mr. Wm. Ke-Loggett. I will send

You some of Dr. J. S. Crewbergs  
fossils collected in Mexico the winter

~~of~~

Very sincerely

E. G. Britton.

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

24 North Avenue Mass. July 10th 1886.  
Cambridge, NEW YORK.

Geo. E. Drayton,

Dear Sir;

As you see by the above address I am in Cambridge and hope this time not to miss making your acquaintance personally and seeing your beautiful collection of ferns. I shall be here till the 31st of July and my husband expects to come on for a visit either the latter part of next week or the beginning of the following. Can we not arrange to see you then? - Any Sat. or Monday would be most convenient

to us, as Mr. Britton's visit will include a Sunday  
probably the 18th of July. -

With regard to the fern  
plate. Will you please order 700 copies  
for us? If you will send the M.P.  
here I will forward to our printer  
with directions.

Very sincerely

Elizabeth G. Britton

24 North Avenue  
Cambridge  
Mass.



TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB  
COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, Oct. 6th 1886.

Dear Mr. Darwinton:

In putting away the  
fems you so kindly sent me, I find  
two that I take to be *R. Pringlei*.  
One of Dr. J. P. Newberr's collecting in 1882.  
and Dr. Gregg (Mexican Bound Survey?).  
I shall be glad to have your opinion  
on them and send them in express to  
you. Will you kindly let me  
know - if possible by Monday and  
return specimens as I should like to

present the matter at the next Com. meeting - Tuesday, Oct. 12th -

when I intend to show those you

sent -

Very sincerely

G. L. Britton

I am putting aside some fees  
for you.

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> 1887

Geo. B. Sargent, Dear Sir, We have recently  
 received several boxes of seeds - not all of them -  
 but *Quercus bicolor* which was one of our  
 desiderata and in abundance of *Rhus glabra*  
*copiosa*. There are a number of the  
*California* seeds that we have not  
 received. Some of them are *Quercus* and the *Rhus*  
*copiosa*. I suppose it would be well to  
 write to them. We have a pigeon-hole for  
 you and as soon as there is enough in  
 it to make it count we shall send

to you. Do you care for N. American  
ferns? One of our Club members has  
recently returned from a trip across P.A.  
from Bolivia to Balda - H. H. Rusby. You  
must have heard of him, and if he has  
any rare or new ferns we shall send  
you. Also Mr. Kingle added another  
fern to science in his last summer's collec-  
tion, or do you want to figure any that have  
been described but not figured. Are there any?  
We hope that your health is better than when  
we saw you last. Kindest regards from Mr. Britton.  
Sincerely  
E. C. Britton.

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB  
COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, March 10th 1887

Dear Sir:

Your very kind and interesting letter telling me about C. Pringle was received as giving me so good an opinion of your friend. I do sincerely hope he will obtain a position more worthy of his merits some day. He would make a splendid head to an international exchange at Washington in connection with the Smithsonian. There is some such organization needed in this country to bring together and distribute the sets from different collectors, so as to supply desiderata without duplicating, as our de arthe present method does. Dr. F. H. Rusby has

brought some beautiful ones from Bolivia &  
Brazil and will certainly have some  
duplicates to spare for you. I do not  
yet know whether many of them are new  
or not - not having them labelled up  
with localities and dates yet - ready for study.  
I have been very busy with the Austin boxes  
all winter and shall be for some time to  
come. But I enjoy them very much and am  
longing for the collecting season again. -

I hope that your health is improved  
since I last saw you. On cutting away some of  
the Palm & Palmer ferns the other day I was struck  
by the close relationship of Chalcidites Peudon & C.  
Myriophylla. The specimen was from Palmer's Coll of  
1876! ~~1872~~  
and myself believe me very truly  
C. G. Britton.

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TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB  
COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
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NEW YORK, May 19th 1887

Dear Mr. Darwipour:

We have received the

honoring your postal card and photograph of  
Botrychium and Ophioglossum. It is very fine

and we are exceedingly obliged. We shall put

it in the Columbia College Herbarium frame it and  
hang it with yours of Hortstœura Pringlei. I am delighted

to learn that Mr. Pringle's collections still continue to  
bring out new forms, especially if it is to give us

the opportunity of publishing another of those lovely drawings  
of Mr. Faxon's - and greatly regret to learn that

your eyes are troubling you still so as to prevent

your studies. It must be a great trial and I hope

Wishes to you and my most hearty congratulations  
with you and hope that they will improve soon.

We shall take great pleasure in making  
a note of the specimens in the Bulletin and if advisable  
Dr. J. will say that you will provide Botanists  
with them at 25¢ each if a sufficient number of applica-  
tions are received. I begin to see some results  
from my studies of the forms collected by Dr. K. S.  
Kushner & I. and find them very heavily  
duplicated. 51 nos. are secured. - All the  
preliminary and mechanical work I shall do and  
may have to trouble Prof. Sells or Prof. Eaton for  
the uncertain ones and Mr. Baker in the new species.  
The American Association meets here in New York Aug.  
15th-17th. are we to have the pleasure of seeing you  
then? I hope so. With best wishes for renewed health I am  
Very sincerely  
Elizabeth G. Britton.



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49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

Es. F. Durup

NEW YORK,

Dec 10<sup>th</sup> 1888

My dear Sir!

Mr. Britton is

kind to you with me I have

and he will be glad to

have another of your pretty fine plates

and tell you of the new process of the

Photo-Engraving Co. by which they produce

a plate by photo engraving directly from

the original in glass a very fine one -

nothing so that they get the effect of a  
low & high frequency and so we allow  
to diprot in contact on the gelatine  
in solution of magnite and electrolysis  
Dr. Newson has just had some gold's  
photographed with excellent results. I can  
only say though that it looks not much  
as well with fine alicate things. -  
I shall hope for your success. -

Very sincerely  
E. G. Britton.

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TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK,

March 1887.

G. G. Darwin

Dear Sir:

I got days since I received  
your photographs of Cleistanthus  
and should have acknowledged them before  
had I not been much bothered with  
the Bulletin & Dr. Engelm. portrait - at the  
time. Tomber has seen a good  
deal of them and I do so with the  
Bulletin to bear me - so I sent to  
Pack for all the photographs that

helped and told the Photo-engraving  
Co. to do their best with them -

This best was such a disappoint-  
ment that I sent the Bulletin of  
Militant News and has ordered  
another by a more expensive  
process which will not be ready  
till the May no. - it is too bad  
but I will have good one. It  
had because we shall have to pay both  
bills and so shall be forced to illus-  
trate less in some other way. - It has  
convinced me that for clearness + effect

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NEW YORK,

Market St. 1885.

Photographic processes though truthful  
 are not always the best. The same is true  
 of your pens - that Mr. Fernald's drawings are  
 better than photographs, because they exaggerate  
 the distinctive points although not giving so  
 good an effect to the whole as a photograph.  
 I'm much obliged for the photographs  
 which I will paste on the herbarium sheets  
 with the specimens - I have been much interested  
 in some ones from Dr. Meares - and those from  
 Mr. Brill - I send you some of the doubtful ones  
 and shall be glad of your opinion. - My nurses have

been interesting me much lately. I have  
one from Japan - the fruit of which has never  
been found before. I sincerely hope that  
your eyes are better - Mr. Pease must be  
kept pretty busy in 'Garden & Forest' work  
they have one of his drawings -

With kindest regards from Mr. Britton  
and myself I am  
very truly  
Elizabeth G. Britton

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W. E. Dawson

NEW YORK,

June 9th 1885

My dear Sir:—

I want to get the  
 July number of the Bulletin out before  
 we sail, July 4th. — and will a  
 little short of matter. — Could you  
 let me have your few notes for it. —  
 I shall be very glad to get them  
 and will send you proof sheets —  
 so that you may make any  
 changes you wish after you see

There in brief. -

I see that Mr. Pringle  
is off again. His last set of  
gems are beautiful - I am an  
just married and recently returned.

Yours sincerely

Elizabeth C. Smith.



TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK,

June 27th 1885.

Dear Mr. Darwport:

Many thanks for  
your notes. and please do not feel  
badly, because I can use them  
next month just as well as this.  
I appreciate the work and  
feel that it is cruel to ask you  
to use your eyes. when they are  
troubled you so much. Will

has corrected proof sent by me in  
case you want to make any additions.  
I wish that you were here to  
bring to me the  
printing too of meeting J. G. Baker  
and having a good look at the New Her-  
fords. I should look over your shoulder  
then and listen to the talk! —

With sincere thanks believe me

Very cordially

E. G. Britton.

TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

COLUMBIA COLLEGE

49TH STREET AND FOURTH AVENUE

England.

New-York, July 19th 1888.

Dear Mr. Darwinton:

Our printer has very  
stupidly sent copy & duplicate  
proofs here instead of to the Editor  
in charge at Columbia. I have corrected  
proof & agree with Mr. A. and have  
two questions to ask - Will you consult  
your labels for Portrero Peak. and  
Andes Arroyo. I think it should be

Potoso and Ancho both Spanish  
words - the others do not mean anything.  
As the C. fibrillata has already been published  
in Rudemond's Ferns - I have struck out  
the n. sp. and made a few other

changes from your MS. which I hope  
you will approve. I am thoroughly  
syringing the ferns here at New and  
wish you could have the pleasure.

My sincerely  
E. G. Britton.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF PURE SCIENCE

November 15th, 1893.

C Dear Mr. Davenport,

I had occasion to look up a reference <sup>to</sup> ~~to~~ to one of the ferns published by you in your Supplement to your Catalogue, to-day, and find that we have not the Supplement in our Library. May I trouble you to tell me how we can get one? We shall be very glad to have you send us one if you can spare a copy, as we have the Catalogue.

I received from Mrs. Gray, quite recently the letters of Dr. Gray she has just published, they are very interesting.

Sincerely,

*L. J. G. H. C.*

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New York, Staten Is. N.Y. Nov. 29th, 1899.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I have been much interested in studying the N. Am. Ophioglossums lately, and find in Prof. Eaton's, Dr. Gray and Prof. Underwoods herbaria a specimen labelled *O. vulgatum* collected by Turner in Unalaska, in 1878 (Eaton specimen) 1879 New Herb. which I do not think is that species. It belongs to the *O. reticulatum* group according to Prunell, and comes nearest according to description and his figures to *O. pedunculosum* of Japan, of which I have not seen any specimens, that are authentic. I have made tracings from the fronds in these herbaria, and should be much obliged if you would take some for me from yours at the Mass. Hort. Soc.

I enclose paper and a tracing that you may see what I mean.

I have a species which appears to be new which I am describing as *O. arenarium*, and of which Mr. Pollard will send you a specimen as soon as his labels are printed.

Yours very truly,

E. G. Britton.

Elizabeth C. Britton

New York, Staten Is. N.Y.

Nov. 22d, 1877.

Dear Mr. Davidson,

I thank you for your very interesting letter and the specimens which you send me of the Alaska Ophioglossum collected by Turner. I think you are quite right about there being resemblances to both *O. vulgatum* and *O. reticulatum*, and yet it does not exactly agree with either. It differs from the specimen collected by Plympton at Newton, Mass. in being broadest near the base, instead of at the middle and above, all the Unalaska specimens which I have seen being either cordate, ovate or lanceolate, . It also differs in the long approximate central areolae of *O. vulgatum* being absent, and instead we have shorter and broader, hexagonal areolae, with several included veinulets, and there is a marked differentiation and continuation of the midvein, which shows a tendency in several cases to become pinnately branched, and hence would throw it in with the *Ptoiloneura* and *O. reticulatum* according to Prantl, instead of in the *Paraneura* with *O. vulgatum*. On the whole, I am inclined to think it is a good species and to refer it according to Prantl's plate to *O. pedunculatum* of Japan, if not that it is a new species. Have you any Japanese specimens to compare it with? Eaton has one from verb Mettenius, which does not agree with either figured or descriptions given by Prantl. It is not *O. reticulatum* of Mexico and Tropical America.

I will ask Mr. Pollard to send you some better *O. arenarium*. I want *O. vulgatum*, as you suggest, but it grew in dense colonies in sand, all alike and mature.

I hope you will come to see the Botanic Garden, soon. Yours truly

E. C. Gardner

Send to me my notes  
on Ophioglossum

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13 West 49th St. N.Y. City.

March 25th, 1898.

Dear Mr. Ravenport,

I have no feeling in the matter of that Ophioglossum, and can see perfectly well that the question of a species is largely a matter of individual preference. For instance, I suppose you can hardly find yourself agreeing with Baker in all his "lumping" of species or with Underwood in all his "splitting" <sup>"</sup> I simply found that there was considerable room for taking both grounds, and gave the facts to the public as well as I know how. I learned only the other day, that an English botanist in 1856 had agreed with Nuttall in saying that our American *O. vulgatum* is different from the European, and I will get Prof. Underwood to send you the reference. I still think that further study of the apex of the frond in *O. arenarium* will show differences from *O. vulgatum*, and Prof. F.E. Lloyd is engaged in a microscopic study of what appears to be a water-pore at its apex. Dr. Campbell, has sent me a reference to their existence in ferns, or a similar analagous structure secreting water and salts. I believe if you had seen the ferns growing, you might see the differences more clearly, as I confess I wavered when I came to look them up and compare them with other herbarium specimens. It would be interesting to learn how *O. vulgatum* grows at Newburyport, where A.A. Eaton has found it growing in sands. In fact I could follow this subject further, but may yet conclude to have a 1st word after you have had your say.

*This is a wonderful journey you have made*



You do you and your  
father when the S. P. R. M. P.  
from 1845.

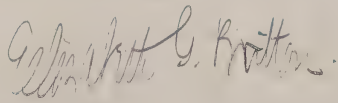
New York, State 13. N.Y.

Oct. 24th, 1898.

Dear W. Davenport,

I received your letter of the 16th of October, and am glad that the matter is explained. I appealed to Dr. Kennedy, because you told me you had spoken to a friend, and I am glad to learn from Dr. Kennedy that he was that friend, as he is mine also. I hope you will try to forget so disagreeable an episode and remember that long ago you sent me some photographs from Smuggler's Notch. I have them still of the yellow birches and a view of the cliffs on Mt. Mansfield, and I want to have lantern slides made of them. May I now ask your consent to do this? and also I want to ask you if you have any photographs of ferns? I am getting together all that I can find, for a Fern Symposium at the Torrey Botanical Club in March and should like to see any that you have, if you feel disposed to grant this favor, I shall esteem not only the favor, but the token of renewed friendship on your part,

yours very truly,


 George Engelmann

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Law Corp, Station 11, N.Y.  
Nov. 14th, 1896.

Dear Mr. Lavenport,

I am much obliged to you for your cordial and kind reply to my letter and shall be very pleased to accept your kind offer of fern prints from your own species. Perhaps you might be prevailed to come down to make us a visit at the time we hold the Torrey Club meeting and show your ferns and their photos to us yourself. That would be very pleasant, and a surprise to all the rest of the members of the Club. I have had a very nice letter this morning from the Rev. E.C. Bolles of Melrose, Mass. Do you know him? he has some very lovely photographs of ferns and a lecture on the LIFE OF A FERN, which he illustrates. you may care to know of it is and try to hear him at our New England botanical club.

Yours very sincerely,

Walter R. Ricker.

# New York Botanical Garden,

Bronx Park,

New York City.

EXPRESS ADDRESS,  
BEDFORD PARK.  
FREIGHT ADDRESS,  
WILLIAMSBURGE.

Jan. 24th, 1899. 189

Dear Mr. Ravenport,

I have received the package of Fern photographs, safely, and am very much obliged, but I want you to tell me whether you find it worth that I shall keep them, for I think you must have robbed your own collections, as the backs of them have notes on the ones. I do not want you to do this, as I know that although you may feel that you can replace them at any time, yet you are busy on more important, advanced work, and I do not like to collect such a sacrifice of your time, of course we are very glad to have them, but as they are mostly wetland, I shall not be able to use them for my lantern slides, I shall be glad to show you a list of ferns, and will send you a set of points of the native ferns as they grow, there is a Rev. W. C. Dallas at Malrose, Mass. (you can know him) who makes lovely pictures of the ferns as they grow. He has sent me quite a number, and Dr. Kennedy secured a fine one of *Stemmatopteris* for me. But I am limiting myself to the ferns of the N. U.S. and making a popular number of it. Mr. Millington has gone to Sweden for his winter. He stopped here on his way. He goes on the Arrow packet and expects to collect lots of plants.

With kindest regards and best wishes, from

Wm. H. Ravenport

Wm. H. Ravenport

New York Botanical Garden,  
Bronx Park,  
New York City.

EXPRESS ADDRESS,  
BEDFORD PARK.  
FREIGHT ADDRESS,  
WILLIAMSBURGH.

Jan. 11th, 1899.....189

Dear Mr. Van Sypert,

Your letter of the 10th is received and  
I have written to your friend Mr. Clapp. I cannot tell you, how  
much I appreciate your kindness to enquire in this matter, and how pleased  
I am to learn of Mr. Clapp's collection. I have asked him if he will  
not join us on the Fern Expedition and offered him duplicates of  
all of my photographs or lantern slides and sent him the list. I  
hope to have the pleasure of seeing you here also, I think it will  
be the last Wednesday in March, viz. 29th.

I am sorry to hear that you too are one of the "victim" victims. It  
has been a most trying winter thus far for us all,

Cordially yours,

Geo. Engelmann

202 West 103d St. N.Y. City.

March 16th, 1899.

Dear Mr. Ravenport,

I received your letter and the ms. enclosed. As you gave me a choice of publication, I chose the Bulletin. As it seemed to be a criticism, of BFD. Gilbert's last paper in the Bulletin and of Jenmans to which he referred it seemed best to print it there as the Plant World, is intended more for popular articles.

My paper on the Ferns of the Eastern States as they grow is to be given at the Torrey Club on the 29th at 115 West 68th St. in the College of Pharmacy, and I have succeeded in getting some good photographs of ferns to show in their native haunts. I was much disappointed however, in not getting any from your friend Mr. Henry A. Clapp, and I hope sometime I shall have the pleasure of seeing his slides. You said he had some of Crosiers slides. Will you please explain this to me. Was it the Crosier who used to be in Washington? I had a very nice letter from Mr. Clapp, telling me the circumstances that his slides were packed and that he was boarding and had no place to work etc. But I wish you would remember to ask any of your fern and photographic friends, to take pictures of any ferns especially the rare ones which are so difficult to get pictures of. There is a host of Aspleniums, Botrychiums, Woodsias, and Aspidiums, (fragrans, Goldiana, ) which have never been photographed.

With kindest regards your truly,

J. B. Barton

New York Botanical Garden,

Bronx Park,

New York City.

June 24<sup>th</sup> 1911

Dear Mr. Davenport -

I am very pleased to see your kind  
letter and the receipt for the Fern Bulletin. I have my great  
to have the drawings and the photographs for my collection - and as  
the Garden will send you the actual paper letter as well for the kind  
appreciation of my work in Arizona.

Yours very sincerely  
Elizabeth C. Britton

★ TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB ★

COLUMBIA COLLEGE,

Corner 49th Street and 4th Avenue,

New York, Feb. 15, 1889

Dear Mr. Davenport:-

Your note was not published because we concluded there had been enough nomenclature in the Bulletin for a while. There are three other communications brought out by Mr. Steens paper, in the same parcel with yours - and none of them take the same ground. I shall not print any of them at present, as the Bulletin is crowded with more important material.

Do you want space for a few papers this Spring? If so, and I am expecting something from you, please let me know when you will be ready. Very Truly Yours,  
N. L. Britton.



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Columbia University in the City of New York  
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

My Dear Mr. Ravenholt:

June 2, 1896

I thank you sincerely for the copy of your "Filices Mexicanae - VI". In looking over our Fern pamphlets I find that we do not appear to have nos. 1-V. If this valuable series and if you have them to spare, I will be much pleased to receive them.

Yours sincerely,  
W. L. Britton

Board of Managers  
OF THE  
New York Botanical Garden.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR-IN-CHIEF.

41 East 49th St., New York.

Nov. 13 1896.

My Dear Mr. Dancer post:

I thank you sincerely  
for your kind letter of the 7th inst  
and for the four plants which I  
have had planted in boxes, and  
am now glad to get. I shall take  
pleasure in reporting the gift to  
our Managers.

Yes, it is too regret that I failed to  
re-examine you at the Botanicum  
the other day, and hope for better  
luck another time.

Faithfully yours,  
H. L. Britton.

25. I need not say how interested our  
Estimate here will be in your book

LAW OFFICES

OF

Stanley, Brown & Clarke,

No. 195 Broadway

Western Union Building

WILLIAM STANLEY.  
ADDISON BROWN.  
STEPHEN G. CLARKE.

New York, Jan. 3, 1878

Dear Sir

The package of plants  
<sup>sent</sup> by Prof Maccom on Dec.  
23 has not come to hand. I  
have inquired repeatedly at  
the Express, they tell me it  
must be either run over or  
run by empty, or detained  
by the Custom House - at all events  
it has not come by. A week  
ago I wrote Prof Mac. of this  
accident & suggested that he as-  
certain by enquiry at the office  
where he delivered it what its  
locus may now be. I have  
not heard from him since. As  
soon as received, your plants shall  
be instantly forwarded.

I enclose a few ferns  
collected in Colorado this

seen on the most interesting botanical occasion I ever saw & these are mostly *Cystopteris* I suppose. The nos 1 or 3 Woodsia if so which? I hoped to find Woodsia *Dragum* - but can't persuade myself that I did. Another lot found ~~in~~ clefts of rocks in Middle Park had got mis-laid somewhere & I could not include specimens. Some of these spec. of *Cystopteris* have more distinct pinnae than I had noticed here - but the species is put down as very variable.

The whole ascent of Pike's Peak from Manitou, 12 miles (I walked it) is an endless flower garden - the true "Garden of the Gods" - In Gray's Peak, only the last 5 miles are specially interesting, but these are superb -

Ferns are few. I got some of the *Chelidonium* & *Pellaea*, but their characters were well marked, & it was too late (July 20) for some species.

You need not return the specimens sent; if you have time to look at them refer to them by number in reply.  
I am by  
J. D. S. C. C. C.

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Western Union Building.

WILLIAM STANLEY,  
ADDISON BROWN,  
STEPHEN G. CLARKE, }

No. 195 BROADWAY.

New York, Jan'y 1879

Dear Sir

I have been so pre-occupied with business for a few days as to be unable to acknowledge some of your favor of 15<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> etc

I am glad to hear that Wood-  
s's Organ & Scapular were among those found. The latter you can retain; also, <sup>10</sup> W.  
Organ if desired, but if not, I would be glad of a specimen which has passed under your critical eye.

I found no Asp. septent.  
and of ichneumonids, only *tridens*  
& *laevigatus*. I have plenty

*Notholaena*  
of *E. Fendleri*, though not of  
the best, as the season was  
advanced - can send you  
some if desired: *Pellaea*  
Wright. (one specimen) is  
at the only <sup>other species of</sup> fern collected  
except that you have seen.

My stay was short, and  
very brief at any one spot -  
and ferns, in my course, were  
very much less frequently  
met than at the East.

I thank you for the kind-  
ness of your offer, and wish I  
had a lot to send you; but  
I believe the specimens already  
given remove my only doubts.  
On looking over my ferns

should I find doubtful  
characters I will gladly  
send myself of your kind  
offer

Very truly yours,  
Addison Brown

P.S.

One of my bundles of plants  
got lost; it contained my col-  
lection at Cañon City & vicinity  
including a lot of *Chryd.*  
Lampyris from the lovely  
Grape Creek Cañon - with  
what - saying do I look back  
on that afternoon ramble in  
that loveliest of Cañons! If you  
have not been out there - don't suffer  
yourself to die without doing so - It  
is like seeing the Pyramids, a jubilee  
with Christians.

W. I. directed you  
package of 12 P.O. &  
may have stupidly  
directed to  
8 Holland Place  
instead of Hamilton  
Place -  
You cannot require  
that on instruction  
Office

STANLEY, BROWN & CLARKE,

Western Union Building,

No. 195 BROADWAY.

York,

July 14 1877

I sent by mail  
this morning by Mr.  
Nadeau for you. As our  
postal authorities are very  
particular & charge letters  
postage if any written  
labels are included (allowing  
numbers, or letters only) I  
took out the labels, & enclose  
them herewith. A number  
had no labels.

I also send for you  
specimens several  
of my own pens lettered  
from A to K. with the

Corresponding slips en-  
closed herein.

Those marked "R"  
or "return" please return  
after your examination,  
keeping what you want  
of the ~~rest~~ <sup>rest</sup>. Some with loose  
franklin I also enclose  
for you. I hope this will  
not get broken & pieces  
in transit - What is sent  
me is usually broken, it  
is so brittle.

When your book is  
out, I shall of course  
want it - & shall find it  
just what I need. I believe  
I am now wanting in 25  
of the species named in Manus.  
yours by  
Addison Brown



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L. E. CURTIS.

LAW OFFICES  
OF  
**Stanley, Brown & Clarke,**

No. 195 Broadway,

Western Union Building

New York, April 12/1879.

Mr. H. S. Davenport

My dear Sir

I have the pleasure  
of acknowledging <sup>to</sup>  
receipt of your "Catalogue"  
re. Your notes are of very  
great value & interest;  
and such a description as  
you here record of all the  
specimens with sources whence  
derived, is so far as I  
know unique in form liter-  
ature - no price is mentioned in  
the Catalogue - I am

#100 at random. The  
Catalogue is worth much  
more to the firm Lewis; I  
shall cheerfully add more  
if that is less than you  
furnish them at; if it be  
more, shall be glad of  
recognition copy

Very truly yours  
Addison Brown

P.S. You seem to have  
given more acknowledgment  
to my studies in contribu-  
tions, than their measure-  
ment received. I hope that

233 East 48<sup>th</sup> St

May 4/79

Dear Sir

I conclude to send

for your inspection, a series of  
forms of *Cystopteris fragilis*, all  
from the same Cavern near Shulton  
Falls, Peter's Brook - I begin Nos  
1 & 2 with the forms I understand  
you to call *laciniata* - If I am  
mistaken you will, of course correct  
me - From Nos 1 to 11 the grada-  
tions are by almost imperceptible  
steps. No 2 has one frond almost doubly  
pinnate like No 3, & another pinnately  
at all so like most of No 1; while it  
resembles frond of No 1, & even No 2 & 3.  
With No 4 the shafts are diaphragm  
to 11. Where so many

variations in form occur within  
a space of 10 feet, I should ascribe  
them all to the same original, & that  
probably very near in time - Does  
this answer your idea of a variety?  
I take it that a variety must make  
good its right to recognition from  
something of permanence & constancy  
in its characters - So with the var.  
called *dentata*, I do not perceive  
any constancy in the location where  
my specimens were gathered, any

more than that of Shattens Falls.  
The last is of course more inference  
but from the situation of all together as  
I find them, I should suppose  
them were accidental differences  
under peculiar circumstances of growth.

As there are nearly all that  
I have from that region, I would  
request the return of them,  
unless you find them necessary  
for some botanical work I can  
send them to, which I think  
little likely - Perhaps I have  
mistaken the form you call  
*laciniata*.

I shall call special  
attention of the Club by your  
most interesting and valuable  
collection at its monthly  
meeting next week.

Very truly yours

Addison Brown

Brookline, Mass.

P.S. I enclose a copy of my  
general desiderata scarcely  
thinking however that you will care  
to exchange, though I have some 2000  
duplicates species -

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LAW OFFICES  
OF  
**Stanley, Brown & Clarke,**

No. 105 Broadway,

Western Union Building

New York, May 17 1880

My dear Mr. Sawyer

I am much rejoiced  
to learn today that you have  
discovered a new form which  
will be illustrated in the Bulletin  
this time, the expense of which a few  
of us, with your generous aid,  
have agreed to defray. I wish  
that Dr. Gray would sometimes  
send us some of his notes, in-  
stead of always sending them  
out West to the Gazette.

I enclose a list of my  
subscriptions for *Mamm*, which  
some time ago you kindly in-

interim success by you -  
Should you have any of  
the ferns among your  
surplus stock, I should  
be thankful for any  
thing you may find  
it convenient to send.

I am finding a few  
more "new" foreign species  
among the ballast depos-  
its this spring - *Ranuncu-  
lus acris*, & *Wigandia  
collina* I found yesterday, but  
I suppose you do not  
care for them.

Yours  
Addison Brown

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LAW OFFICES  
OF  
**Stanley, Brown & Clarke,**

No. 195 Broadway,

Western Union Building

New York, July 17 1889

My dear Mr. Davenport

Your letter and also  
package containing *Chulandrus*  
*vesicid.* have been rec<sup>d</sup> today  
I beg to thank you very much  
for a specimen of this singular  
*Chulandrus*. I did not suppose  
its vesicid character would be  
so obvious after drying. ~~But~~  
I can hardly recall a single  
plant which shows so much  
of it after pressing. The name  
is most apt, and I trust no  
one will ever succeed in steal-  
ing it from you. I make

this remark became, though  
by no means an Experienced  
blarney it seems true that  
there is a greater propensity  
to that sort of cheating in the  
profession than is com-  
mendable, or strictly ven-  
erable.

I am expecting that  
fall some fowls from  
Jamaica, West Indies,  
and I hope there may be  
something <sup>an</sup> ~~in~~ them which  
I may offer you of interest, in  
return for the fowls, for which  
you have not yet suffered  
me to return any equivalent  
about

Very Truly Yours  
Addison's Friend



My May 1882

My dear Henderson

Please accept my  
 hearty thanks for the ferns  
 from Alaska which  
 you forwarded to me  
 a few days since. The  
 package contains two  
 which were quite new  
 to my Herbarium, the  
*Botanocallis*, & *Asp.*  
*Desfontainii*, and the rest  
 are interesting from  
 locality.

In handling over my  
*Botanocallis* to you this in  
 place, my attention was  
 recalled to a new <sup>2<sup>d</sup></sup>  
 so called variety, of *B.*  
*ternatum*, viz. *obliquum*,  
*obdirectum*. That they

differ sufficiently in appearance  
to be called varieties in plain  
English. But my observa-  
tions in collecting <sup>them</sup> makes  
me doubt very much  
whether they are what  
I suppose to be what is meant  
by varieties at all; i.e. forms  
with a certain degree of per-  
manence, <sup>or constancy</sup> in the transmission of  
peculiarities, - a half species  
as it were. I have usually  
found <sup>groups of</sup> ~~both~~ together whenever  
I found Eskes, and innum-  
er-able gradations between the  
two, <sup>mixed</sup> all together. Is not  
that the strongest possible  
indication that they are  
not varieties at all,  
but only accidental forms,  
assumed almost indifferently?  
Why not as well call each  
intermediate form between

obliquum + demictum a  
variety?

Sincerely yours  
Addison B. Form

N.Y. Cit

July 31 83

Dear

I enclose 50  
cent for Fern lists  
which I ought to have  
sent you before

Very  
Addison Brown

Madilla Falls

Dec 30 1890

Mr. Geo. C. Davidson

Dear Sir

I have just received your letter of the 29th and am glad to hear that you are well and hope you will continue to be so. I have just received a letter from your son and he says that he is well and hope you will be the same. I have just received a letter from your daughter and she says that she is well and hope you will be the same. I have just received a letter from your son and he says that he is well and hope you will be the same.

No 1 was sent me from Burlington Co. N. J. It has been sent to several persons whose names have already been called. It has been called (Mountain) Water and also a Spring. No. 2 was sent to me from the same locality as No. 1, but it is not so good as No. 1.

... I will have sent it to you  
called it Scut. cristatum. No 4  
seems to me to be intermediate  
between No. 3. and No. 5

No. 5 I called for you Scut.  
crispatum var. subrotundum and  
in botanical journals and  
tells me it is "not new".  
Delphinium viridatum x marginatum var.

You send me within the  
specimen as it can indicate  
(by no.) and because you need  
not to place in your table.

I have recorded in various  
the drawings & seen the first  
specimens, the first specimen of  
them is marginatum and some  
specimens are not seen with the  
no. but as to marginatum it is  
very old and marginatum, I  
have derived it from them.

C. that we are marginatum  
to you of 1844 with marginatum

sent me in your marginatum  
in an marginatum.

marginatum  
No. 3. marginatum

- 1- marginatum
- 2+5- marginatum
- 3+4 marginatum

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Madilla Forks, N. H. Jan. 28 98

Mr. George E. Dawson,  
Medford, Mass.

Dear Sir, -

Your note of  
Nov. 20 97 in which you kindly gave me  
the names of the fern I sent you for  
identification was duly received.

I should be much pleased to receive  
specimens of the hybrid, A. cis. x mac.  
if it would not inconvenience you too  
much to send them to me as you  
suggested.

As I am a subscriber to the  
Annals Fern Bulletin I shall await  
with great interest the publication of the  
article you propose writing. I remember  
the place where I found the curious fern  
which I sent to Mrs. R. and I intend  
to look for the plant next summer -  
to discover if it has put forth any

more ~~kind~~ of an unusual absence,  
With many thanks for your  
kindness, I remain  
Very sincerely  
Yours,  
S. A. Brown.

Austin Texas March 16/74

Geo. E. Davis

Dear Sir

When I recd  
your letter I did not know as I would  
be able to send you any ferns & I  
have waited until I could give  
you a definite answer. I am now  
State Geologist of Texas & a large  
State collection of plants made  
by me some years ago when  
I was botanist of the Survey is now  
in my care. It has many du-  
plicates & some ferns from the  
mountainous region of the State  
which are not in your collection.  
Others will probably be added  
to it during the summer from  
all of which I can send you  
specimens next winter until  
which time I shall be very



busy in the field Next December  
please write to me again &  
also send your list of ferns  
& then we will exchange

Yours truly  
S. B. Buckley

Brunswick, Maine, Nov. 15th 1887.

Mr. Geo. E. Harbord,

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Johnson's negative arrived safely this morning and my thanks are due the Committee for selecting it in preference to others of greater technical excellence. I have just made a proof of it and like the effect very much.

Mr. Johnson's name has been entered on our books and a copy of the November number is mailed him herewith.

The negative will be reproduced as soon as possible but our Dec. and Jan. issues are already provided for. However I will have the plate made very soon and the negative will be returned to Mr. Johnson as soon as possible.

I was greatly interested in the lamp-light portrait you sent me. I once made some experiments in that line and by lighting up the shadows with a light of less intensity than the main one I managed to

produce some striking effects. I think that something can be done in that way and I may go at it again soon.

I take the liberty of sending you a rather striking print of the moon which I beg the Club to accept with my compliments. The full moon is a difficult subject and to my knowledge has never been better done than in the print sent you. The negative was made in a reflecting telescope with the eye piece removed. The enlargement and print I made myself so that the whole thing is amateur, but not, I hope, unattractive.

Very truly yours,

W. H. Burbank.

Asylum for the Insane,

London, Ontario, Apr. 7. 1884

Dear Sir,

Enclosed find \$5 for which  
please forward by return mail  
your catalogue of the Davenport  
Herbarium with supplement.

Very truly yours,

J. J. W. Burgess, M.D.

Assist. Supt.

Asylum for Insane

London, Ontario,

Canada.

Geo. E. Davenport, Esq.

Medford,

Mass.

U.S.

Am sorry not to be able to send you more  
a better sp. for your herbarium.  
Asylum for the Human,

London, Ont. Dec. 15. 1886.

Dear Sir,

I return you my hearty thanks  
for your papers which came safely to  
hand. I sent you a few days ago  
the Monograph of Canadian Filices  
for which you asked me. Am sorry there  
is nothing of special interest in it.  
My supply of duplicates being limited  
I am able to send you only two of them  
for which you asked, viz, *Pheopteris*  
*Calceas* & *Cystopteris montana*, <sup>nos. 5 & 6.</sup> You  
will see by the Monograph that my  
views are quite in accord with yours  
re. the former plant, which should I  
think be at most only a var. of *P.*  
*Robertianum*. I enclose label for the  
two sps. you are to keep.

I send you other sps. which

please return when looked at as they  
are taken from my own collection or  
loaned to me.

No. 1. The doubtful sps. of *Bolus chinensis*  
*matricariaefolius*. Prof. Eaton saw them but  
did not care to speak positively on such  
circumstance sps. Personally I incline to make  
them *B. Lunaria*. (*B. Lunaria* var. *952*)

No. 2. *Aspidium Ocropetris*. Long I have  
no duplicates left. Prof. Macoun proposes  
collecting in the same neighborhood next  
season and if so will gather it in quantity  
when I can send you sps.

No. 3. *Adiantum pedatum* var. *canadense*.  
In my paper I had only noticed this as a  
very peculiar form of *A. pedatum*, but Prof.  
Eaton, to whom I sent a sp., thought it was  
worthy of a place as a distinct var. I  
hope to get it in quantity ere long from my  
correspondent & if so will send you sps.

No. 4. Sent to me for examination as *B.*  
*matricariaefolius*, but from the lanceolate leaves  
you I incline to make it a form of *B. Lunaria*.  
Should much like to have your opinion on it  
and return it. Found near Regina near W. U. S.  
Hoping to hear from you soon believe me  
Res. E. D. D. *952*  
Vg. Oct 7 ans. J. M. Purpus

Anglum for the Huzzars,

London, Ont. Jan. 22 1887

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for the ferns  
which came safely to hand.

A few days ago I had some  
plants sent me from British  
Columbia and among them some  
sp. of the var. of *Adiantum petatum*  
from a different locality - a couple of  
which I sent you yesterday. The  
characters are not so well marked  
as in the sp. I sent you to examine  
but I am trying to fit my correspondents  
to collect good sps. with roots attached,

and if he does not send you  
better, as however he knows but very  
little about botany it is rather  
difficult to get him to do what one  
wants.

Re. B. matricariaefolium. All the  
localities mentioned in "Canadian Filices"  
and "Additions to C. F." for this species  
are I think right beyond doubt as both  
myself and Prof. Eaton have exd. sps  
throughout, except in the case of the Regina  
and Castle Mt (Rocky Mt.) sps. The former  
I admitted without seeing the sps. on the  
morning of Mr Fletcher of Ottawa - afterwards  
he sent me a sp. when I at once  
said it was D. Sumaria, a decision confirmed  
(some months later, see Col. D. 1574-4-26)  
by yourself. The Rocky Mt. sps. were named  
matricariaefolium by Macoun but I could  
not make up my mind between this  
and D. Sumaria. Prof Eaton also saw them  
also refused to give an opinion without more  
material - (these were the sps. you made D.  
(These were the specimens from Regina, 583.)  
simplex). Please make a marginal note

in "Additions to C. F." concerning them as follows.  
W. M. Douglas  
W. M. Douglas



BOTANICAL SOCIETY  
SCIENCE MUSEUM  
SPRINGFIELD. MASS.

Long Hill  
Springfield  
Mass  
Saturday P.M.

Mr. Davenport

Dear Sir, At our  
regular meeting yesterday  
your note to our Honorary Pres.  
was read, requesting the loan  
of a type fern. We are obliged  
to refuse all such requests  
as our rare specimens would  
be worn out in travelling,  
as our Herbarium contains

many specimens which we are very frequently asked to loan. It is quite a difficult matter to pack herbarium specimens for mailing and enclosing in wooden boxes and sending by Express is a trouble and expense.

If you should come to Springfield call upon Mr Owen who will allow you to see the specimen you mention.

I am sorry to write what seems to be a disobliging note but we cannot break old rules.

Florence J. W. Burnham  
Cor. Secretary  
Springfield Botanical  
Club.

H V Vanghus, Wash. Co., N. Y.  
7 Dec. 1900

Mr Geo E. Davenport,  
Medford, Mass.:

My Dear Sir:-

I saw your notice  
to fern collectors in the Oct. Rhodora  
and I herewith enclose an accurate  
list of our native ferns, and also  
send, under a separate cover, <sup>by mail</sup> a few  
ferns I would like to have verified.  
This region, on the southern shores of  
Lake George, seems to be very rich  
in ferns and their allies, as you will  
at once see by my list. (I have not  
included those I sent for verification).  
We have a great diversity of soil and  
considerable limestone intermixed with  
granite, and shales and sandstone. Both  
the Chazy and Trenton Limestones are  
found.

In returning your corrections and  
names, will you please use the num-

fers on the left hand side of the rough  
label. I do not care for the specimens  
or list returned.

*Pteridium contrainatum* varies  
considerably with us as you will see.  
Have always considered *Aspidium*  
*crustatum* as rarer than the variety, which  
has much broader fronds.

I think it best to use the nomen-  
clature of Gray's Manual 6 ed. as I  
am more familiar with it than either  
that given in the Illustrated Flora or  
Dr Underwood's 6 ed. of "Our Native Ferns".

No doubt I have overlooked a few  
species: and these probably among the  
fern allies, yet I think I have them  
nearly all. I am

Very Truly Yours

Stewart H. Burman

P.S.

If you would like to know more about  
any of these ferns: I will be glad to  
give you what information I can.

For list mentioned, see pamphlets  
Ct. W. Dic., 1924

that Mrs. Britton had written  
about them in the April 1879  
Vol. VII No. 2 "Fern & Bivalvia"  
pages 34-35. I notice the  
language is a little ambiguous;  
it being the variety *crispatum* that  
Dr. Peck collected in 1878 at Rock  
City, N. H. Dr. Peck did  
not choose to send me to the  
locality <sup>in 1899</sup> nor have I been able to  
find it.

The interstaccous form of  
*Aspidium crispatum Ontonagonum*  
grows in the pine woods; but I can  
tell you nothing more about it, at  
present. I was at Little Cross  
to know just what the term inter-  
staccous really meant probably  
almost herbaceous.

Thompson Wash. Co. N. H.

Jan. 1897

Dr. Geo. E. Davenport

Walden, Mass.

My Dear Sir:-

Your letter includ-  
ing determinations of my ferns was  
received this morn'g and I find  
that it needs a little more explana-  
tion in regard to a few of our  
native ferns.

I have two specimens of  
*Aspidium magnum canadense*  
or *crispatum* var. *pauciflorum*  
seen heretofore. I have a few  
specimens of another  
variety. I met the late  
Dr. Geo. D. Peck at his summer  
home at Dark Bay <sup>Lake George</sup> and he  
spoke of finding both these varieties  
in the rocks nearby; and said

I wish you could see my number 12, from  
Edinburgh Swamps, Vaughan's 13 Oct. '95, growing.  
To my eye it is quite unlike our forms of *Aspidium*  
*hygellum* approaching *dictatum*. There is only a  
single clump of this fern in this small swamp and  
to a census. However there would be no difference  
between it and *Aspidium cristatum* ~~*dictatum*~~  
in the which it grows but there is a difference  
when one examines more carefully!!! Mr Royal  
Dodge, was very anxious to get a root of this fern  
several years ago, while I was in California;  
but I was unable to get it if then nor would I  
care to disturb the plant at present. Mr  
Dodge had previously received fronds from this  
plant from another one of my correspondents;  
and his anxiety led me to think the fern  
might be rare.

I was in hopes you would tackle my varia-  
tion of *Lyopodium* *Complanatum* sent: This  
is our only <sup>species</sup> that varies to any extent.

Thanking you for all favors I am

Truly Yours

Stewart H. Burnham

San Jose Aug 21- 1879

George E. Davenport

Sir.

I have a coll. of plants from  
Los Angeles Co. Cal. and some  
from other localities illustrating  
California Flora, also a coll.  
of Algae from Los Angeles Co.  
and a few ferns. Can I send  
you any thing of the above and  
get your catalogue of North American  
Ferns. I could send you if desired  
a few growing plants of Ferns.

I have a few plants of the tall  
growing scarlet Delphinium  
from the Mts. of Los Angeles Co.  
If you wish for any thing of the  
kind I shall be glad to  
forward to you & receive

a catalogue of ferns.

as white as wool. It is robust, grows  
12-15-19 inches high

Very respectfully

Mrs. A. E. Bush  
San Jose  
Santa Clara Co.  
Cal.

I enclose a few small specimens

Our botanists, here seem to be  
puzzled to make out the common  
Polypodium, whether it is vulgar  
Californicum or something else.

The white backed fern that I  
enclose is from the North Eastern  
part of Fresno Co., I have only a poor  
specimen. In the winter or spring  
I can get growing plants if desired.  
For six years, I know it has been a  
silver fern the young fronds when  
they first appear are very delicate, but



San Jose Sep. 14 1859

Geo. E. Davenport. Sir -

Accept thanks  
for the kind response of a  
"Catalogue", I shall take pleasure  
in showing the circulars to my  
friends. And am pleased to  
send an order for two. Please  
mail one Catalogue of Ferns  
to

Mrs. Charles H. Allen  
State Normal School  
San Jose Cal.

And one to myself, for a friend  
Miss A. Atlas needs a few specimens  
of Algae. - - Perchase a small  
specimen of a fern. I suppose it is  
*Asplenium Fern* *Greenhouse*, though

it looks very different from  
one I have from Santa Cruz  
This one was found right at the  
beach, in the mouth of the Canyon  
South of Monterey, & I think South  
of Carmel. A party just here in  
Carmel out in this Canyon. One of  
our teachers a botanist was along  
& found this fern only a few feet  
from the beach, growing 2 ft high,  
but no way of having it, which  
accounts for the poor specimen,  
At the right time of year I will  
send some better specimens of  
*Gymnogramme triangularis* var.  
*viscosa*. And I shall be glad to send  
other ferns, & some Algae, and  
the wood mosses. I have but few  
spms. of Eastern Algae & No E,  
Ferns, except some I grow from  
Jenns. — Very Respectfully  
Mrs. H. E. Bush

Mrs. T. E. Bush  
245 Grant Street  
San Jose Cal

San Jose Dec 17- 1879

Prof. Geo. E. Davenport.

Dear Sir

I mailed  
to your address - a few days since - a  
package of Marine Algae - mostly  
collected by myself - at Point Vincent  
Los Angeles Co. Cal. - There may be  
some inaccuracies in the naming  
but I hope the most are correctly named  
Prof. W. C. Barlow is the authority for the  
naming - If you wish duplicates of any  
I shall be glad to forward them -

I should like some of the higher  
Eastern Algae - Dasy siphans - or  
any others - If desirable when I get  
other species will send again.

Hope they may reach you in  
good order Respec<sup>t</sup>fully  
Wm. A. E. Bush

ca: Don Cal. Feb. 11 - 1860

Mr. Davenport. near ...

Enclose a few spms. that if  
you can name for me, and return  
with oblige. - The greatest calamity  
has overtaken us - Our State Normal  
school burned to the ground, with  
it our Herbarium - Cabinet of Mineralogy  
& conchology. - with it my private  
collection of minerals - many plants,  
Scientific works - many things that  
I have been gathering & poring over  
a lifetime - My cabinet was placed  
there for safety & the use of the school,  
All gone with a flash - Happily  
I have a few ferns at my house, that  
were brought from Tennessee, and given  
to me - a few days since. About fifteen  
species in all. - I can determine most  
of them - you will understand the

season why I wish them  
returned - I seem to be puzzled with  
the Cheilanthes. I thought on a  
Woodia - - - I sent some time  
since a package of marine algae,  
I hope it reached you all right.  
I will remember, if I get spms. of the  
ferns you desire, to send you some -

Do you recollect: the Equisetum I  
sent you stated that you would look  
it up: was it the scouring rush or  
the other? If I know which it  
was I will save more spms -  
for you -

Very Respectfully  
Mrs. A. E. Bush

Do you wish living roots of our common  
ferns. Polypodium Pellaea &c -

San Jose Feb. 24-80 -

S. E. Davenport.

The pkg. of *Alysiid*  
received. I find them interesting and  
am much obliged. Shall be glad  
to correspond with Mr. Collins -  
(By the way it is the first I have heard of  
him from you. I suppose you were  
thinking of Mr. Allen when you thought  
you had written me.) About the  
*Phegopteris polypleuride*. I do not  
know. I have but few *Causton* ferns  
and not that. Have seen a fern  
that was coll. in the Santa Cruz Mts!  
that may be it. It was withered &  
no fruit. Delicate in appearance &  
substance. supposed to be a delicate  
form of *Pteris*, but it has not the  
venation of *Pteris* - can give no

definite description - - Fronds, etc  
in outline - a slender stalk, straw  
colored rachis. Base of stalk, dark  
brown - nearly black. - If that is the  
fern you refer to - I can answer for the  
correctness of locality. I enclose to you  
some fragments of a like plant. sent  
to me a few days since, with *Aspidium*  
*montanum* - *A. argutum* - Woodwardia  
Americana - *Adiantum pedatum* &c  
all coll. in the mountain near  
Watsonville - Southern part of Santa  
Cruz Co. - They were sent to me by a  
friend not knowing one fern from  
another. When the spores is gone  
from the ribs. I can get the spores.  
I hope you will give me a name for  
it. The fern books, were all lost  
both those belonging to the school &  
to Prof. Allen's private library.  
Accept thanks for the algae - - Is it  
possible to exchange algae for ferns?

Any information that you  
can give will be thankfully received.

Very Respectfully,

Mrs. A. E. Donak  
San Jose

Calif.







Jan 11 1880

Mr. E. Sweet

Dear Sir,

The box of drugs &c. arrived, in perfect order - & will be of service, and the donors will be often remembered and the generosity appreciated. - It is another illustration of the "gifts" of the heart of our fair people. I have reported to Prof. Allen and will get the contents of the <sup>trunk</sup> where the classes can use them.

↑ - I mailed to you yesterday a fern that has puzzled me. The appearance of the whole plant was so different from *Aspidium montanum* or any

of the varieties I have seen.

The fronds are nearly triangular  
in outline - growing in dense  
clusters - 1. to 2 ft. The *A. punctata*  
in the same locality - growing as  
high as 5 ft. - I will send you  
other ferns from the same gulch  
after a little -

Again thank you for  
the generous donation to the  
school herbarium

Very sincerely yours

Mrs. A. E. Bush

if they are put away in good  
order, even without poisoning.  
I hope to hear something of  
your experience. Have you all  
the Californian algae you wish  
Greville a specimen that Dr. Hurler says  
is probably *Macrocystis pygmaea*, a form  
of it. But has been called *Laminaria*  
*ciliata*. - I shall like to send you  
some more algae if there is any that  
you wish. Hope you have received  
~~the~~ ferns sent some time since.  
Can send a living root of the odd  
one if desirable. - The interest  
of your donation must be my  
excuse for this long epistle

Very Respectfully  
Wm. C. E. Bush

San Jose Oct. 4-1880  
Geo. E. Davenport.

Dear Sir,

I have  
looked over the plants you  
sent, another time, and  
think if the *Marsilea vestita*,  
were with them I must  
have found it - Perhaps you  
have found it ere this.  
The collection you have sent  
is interesting and valuable.  
Taking into consideration the  
state of our Herbarium and  
the small amount of time  
that our best botanist have  
to spare for the work. I propose  
to keep the plants you have  
sent, until we have a room  
for our Herbarium. Please

propose to add the ferns you  
sent last spring, and keep the  
whole coll. together and have it  
bound as the Danversport  
donation - As I wrote to you at  
the time I selected - where there  
was a choice, the best spms.  
for the school herbarium, wrote  
the labels, copied from your list  
with the greatest care, put the  
spms. in separate papers, & placed  
them between board covers,  
and left them with Miss Weston.  
I have been away three months  
& been very busy - and do not  
know what has been done with  
them - However if they have been  
distributed - or classified with  
other ferns. I will take the ferns  
you were ~~kind~~ kind enough to  
send me - and place them  
with the other plants that

the whole collection may be  
together. In that way it can  
be convenient for reference and  
where it can be got at, and will  
be very useful. I shall take  
pleasure in cataloguing the coll.  
& will endeavor to have the list  
ready by the time we have a  
place for it - which we hope to  
have by the beginning of another year.  
Our new school building is in  
process of erection, and there is  
such an army of workmen engaged  
upon it, that we are are hopeful  
I shall gladly receive any sug-  
gestions as to the index - or care  
of them - I have not been any  
more troubled with insects, here  
than I was in New York, but  
find plants wrapped in news  
papers, & laid away - Keep on good  
order almost any length of time

San Jose  
Cal.

Oct. 16. 1880

Geo. E. Davisport.

Dear Sir.

I mail to  
you this morn. a package of  
fern roots. One is the odd *A-*  
*pidium murinum* - the other *A-*  
*3* - some of our botanists say  
*A. lobatum* - & others *A. Californicum*  
I do not pretend to know which  
it is. The plants were bruised  
come bringing from the M.D. but  
hope you can see what these  
are - & think they will grow if  
you wish, I put into a box  
1 *Centropogon* or *Centropogon*  
shape of it to *C. ...* near  
the summit - I have recd a  
circular from Geo. F. L. Huxley &  
Dunton *Moist.*

asking for much information  
about Marine Algae of this coast  
saying he is to publish a book in  
Do you know him? Is it all  
right? - Shall be glad to hear  
from you -

Very respectfully

Mrs. A. E. Bush

CALIFORNIA  
State Normal School.

SAN JOSE, March 28<sup>th</sup> 1881

Geo. E. Thompson.  
Wichita, Kas.

Dear Sir,

I have had  
some fragments of fossil plants to  
send, which were collected in  
the Grand Canyon, south of  
Flagstaff, & one of them is  
from the Grand Canyon, Arizona.  
but are not rare. The fragment  
in the little envelope is one of the  
same kind of a fossil from  
the Hot Springs in the eastern  
part of Monterey Co. - I shall  
send you some more. - Enclose a  
specimen of algae - I shall be glad to



if you have not all your money  
I will give you one or two more  
I am very respectfully  
Yours  
Wm. A. G. Smith  
New York

State Normal School

San José, Cal., Oct. 25 1881

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find all that I have been able to get of that woolly fern and send the note - It comes from the Hot Springs down the coast 75 miles from Monterey - that must be near the southern part of Monterey Co. If you care to keep it retain it if not please return it but I shall be glad to know what you think of it - The pinna I sent you last Spring was from a frond 8 in. long

Respectfully

A. E. Bush

San Jose

Cal.

State Normal School

San José, Cal., Sep. 3.

1883.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find <sup>the amount of \$5</sup> stamp, in

per supplement to your fern catalogue.

I have mailed to you two sp. of ferns. - one  
*O. Capilliveneris*. - The other I do not know have not  
before seen it from California. It is found in  
? - Cañon. Los Angeles Co. - I am sorry  
I can not send better specimens. - But presume  
you have it. - At some time I might get other spms  
if desired. - It is however difficult climbing, & too  
many rattlesnakes. - I do not know much about the  
ferns nowadays. - I lost nearly a year with illness  
& have not yet evened the back work.

Yours very respectfully  
A. E. Bush.



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New York, Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 1855.

Friend Davenport,

Father wishes me to say that he has delayed attending to your matter because of a slight illness. Yesterday he delivered the picture to Dr. Thurber who seemed much pleased with it, and today he made a call upon Mr. Laffan at Kasper's, who advises as did the party at the Century office - that you prepare the article and send it with views, and they will give it careful consideration.

He has some information of  
the Middlebury falls. He  
does not wish you to enter-  
tain too high hopes, but he  
will do his best regarding  
it.

Wishing you all success  
I am Very kindly yours

E. W. Burwell

P.S. If you think best you  
can send them to me  
and I will present them.



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New York, *March 12, 1888*

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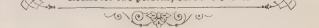

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New York,        -        - 188      

*[Faint, illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*

The best I can do in horticulture  
is to give beds of grass  
in the garden - all day  
Monday - but I am not  
at all certain in getting this  
work done in time.

I have also a quantity of  
young plants, apples, pears,  
peaches, etc. which I will  
send you when I can  
and will have them all  
ready for planting by the  
1st of next month.



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New York, May 14 1885

*[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text follows, appearing to be a letter or receipt.]*

Dr. Britton kindly named it for me, calling it *A. spinulosum lacinum*, & saying he did not think it had before been found in the U.S.

In '90 I gave a specimen to Columbia Col. & Dr. Britton suggested my sending one to you. I was soon after made a wreck by LaGriffe & not until this summer was well enough to take any interest in my ferns. Meanwhile, a summer

in Switzerland, ~~the~~ a winter in the  
 South & a more from N.Y. City to  
 Minn., have so broken & scattered  
 things that I cannot send  
 you what I would, a fully  
 fruited form; but to the sterile  
 form sent I have added  
 a fragment of what was one  
 of my best fruited specimens.

As your herbarium includes  
 foreign species I have added  
 a slim form (or relative) of what I  
 take to be *Aspl. Montanum*, &  
 two little *Botrychiums*, which  
 ought to know you if they  
 did come from San Moritz

Switzerland. (as did the Asplenium)

Blue Mt. Lake is a good outing place for the fern lover, I found about forty species Varieties there. It is an excellent locality (On rich Mt. valleys & swamps) for the study of abnormal forms. One can find nearly every step in the evolution of the fertile frond of *Ovula sensu lato*, and I found one set of five specimens which bridged the gap between the sterile & fertile fronds of *Asmunda Cinnamomina*.

Hastily, & H. Gray

Alford A. Butler

Fairfield. Conn  
Sept 10. 1878

Mr Geo. C. Davenport

Dear Sir

Will you kindly  
give me the name of  
the enclosed fern,  
there being a difference  
of opinion about it  
here?

Respectfully yrs  
C. C. Butler

Fairfield. Conn  
Sept 25. 1878

Mr Geo. C. Davenport

Dear Sir

Accept my thanks  
for information about  
*Cystopteris fragilis* —

In reply to your re-  
quest for a list of  
the ferns in this vi-  
cinity, I must say  
that I am only a  
sojourner here, and  
cannot give a very  
satisfactory account.

Those that I have  
seen, are the following:





What we call disease has taken my best English  
friends. Mr. Mechem has given up the practice  
for his Oct. 1849, and 159. I have had  
some noticed here. But I do not yet  
get the pleasure to want to get over  
myself. If you can ever see any

thing to help me in ~~my~~ ~~my~~ ~~my~~ I  
shall be glad to say you a liberal  
to. I want to know how the fall of  
1874 looking ahead. - I will be

11 am. Busy, feeling a prisoner all the  
time. I can only succeed by getting  
the help of Mattie.

It has taken me a long time  
to feel that I can part - the whole.

It is the saddest subject - I have tried,  
ed, but now I feel quite equal to it, in  
character. Mattie found beautiful March  
to. Near here was a white one new to  
me. - Some varieties of <sup>or reimpolia</sup> ~~flowers~~ I think.  
I can always tell the whole - just to one  
of the plants. I know a book like you  
will see. There is an affection

Of all the wild-goose hunting  
who are not (not) from the  
I think in the number of  
and I could reach him. He might  
and me an order for more for your  
my ball - he is very kind to help you  
he said how to proceed and made himself  
he does make a small donation & his  
letter made me laugh, as I never saw  
the article - there made he had to part  
the is mixed with some ink & printing  
Graham had some little ink, but not  
how come the ink is here. As to the  
I have not the article. That is all I know.

Arthur, Maine

In Providence  
Dear Sir,

Don't give up.  
I'm with you but I think  
the kind of the Boston Herald  
I'm usually good but I think  
I have had heard from her in a long  
time. I hope she is well. That you are  
her. And I'm not.

I should be very glad of a  
line telling of your (well being  
& of Mrs. Richards.

Yours sincerely

Faustina Potter.

50. Forest Ave.

Oct-17<sup>th</sup>

Portland

P.S. I read of the new  
hall with interest.

Maine.

#  
73 Fifth Avenue  
New York  
Dec 10<sup>th</sup>

Geo. E. Maccupport Esq  
Dear Sir

I am desirous of com-  
pleting a collection of Amer-  
ferns, which, with the excep-  
tion of the Southern varieties,  
I have mainly gathered myself.

Those I have marked are  
already in my herbarium,  
and if you have any  
others which you care to

dispose of, would you  
kindly mark my list  
and return it to me, with  
terms? Could you tell me  
how I may obtain the  
few peculiar to South  
Florida & Key West, —  
Wm's Reynolds does not  
furnish these.

I fear I am troubling  
you too much, but hope  
you may assist me, as  
I aim at obtaining

a pamphlet collection.

Robert  
Page & Son

73 Fifth Avenue

New York