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Juniper Pt., Salem,  
24 - VIII - 87.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Can you give me  
the address of Mr. Pratt?  
I have forgotten his ini-  
tials. Likewise your own  
Boston address.

Do you know any County  
locality for *Ulmus fulva*,  
native? I have an impres-  
sion that you, or some other  
in whom I had confidence,  
said there were two trees  
near the Red Mill, but I  
have never been able to  
find them. Several trees  
to which I have been  
referred prove to be *Ulmus*  
*montana*, the Scotch elm,  
not infrequent along our  
walks.

We also want a county  
specimen of *Amagallis*.

Neither Frank nor myself  
have ever seen it in our

limits. If you chance upon  
a county specimen, you  
will greatly oblige us by  
preserving a specimen for  
the County herbarium. We  
desire County specimens of all  
plants credited to the Co.,  
so far as it is possible  
to get them.

When I visit Boston, I  
will show you the list  
of desiderata; possibly  
you may be able to put  
us on the track of some <sup>plants</sup>  
of our list. I particularly desire a  
near locality for Cornus  
stolonifera. I don't know  
a single plant of it  
in our vicinity.

I wished to see Mr.

Pratt, at his convenience,  
to ask some questions  
about a few of the  
plants introduced by his  
father, and possibly  
obtain herbarium specimens.

Sometimes this fall,  
with your permission, I  
shall submit our fern  
list to your final revision.

I shall continue here  
till about the 6th of Sept.

Yours very truly,  
L. L. Dangle,

High School

Feb. 17, 1897

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Through very  
great carelessness on my  
part, the microscope, though  
specially wrapped for you, was  
not put on the table  
Friday night. From today till  
Monday, it is at your service.  
Shall I send it to your  
house, or will you call for  
it? Please send note, if  
you can by some person  
in your vicinity,  
Yours very truly  
L. L. Davenport

*Virginia 4000 ft*

*valida*

<sup>10/10</sup>  
<sup>3/10/10</sup>  
B. lunarensis Halls

Florida -

no date  
or date

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Utah B<sub>1</sub> fumarivides

2. B. aurata

Florida

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West Chester Penn:

Oct. 3. 1886

Geo. E. Davenport Esq.  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir,

My interest in the subject of botany is my excuse for troubling you. During the past summer I have made a specialty of ferns, and more particularly of Botrychium. So far, I have found in this county of Chester only two species, *B. Virginianum* (which is quite common) and *B. ternatum*, not so common, but still to be found in certain localities, very large and perfect. I have one of these, <sup>or dissectum</sup> measuring  $19\frac{1}{8}$  inches from the junction of the fronds to the top, - the fertile frond  $6\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$ ", the sterile do.  $7 \times 9\frac{1}{4}$ ". Also others not quite so large.

If it would not be asking too much, I would like for my collection some specimens of any other species, I can send you in return some good ones of the above, both *obliquum* and *dissectum*, - not so large however as the one mentioned.

Have not met with *Ophiodoglossum vulgatum* here, though Dr. Darlington mentions it as being frequent. I am inclined to think he is

mistaken. Dr. Rothrock tells me he has never found it in this county. Probably it may have been somewhat abundant in some limited locality near here fifty years ago when he wrote, and is now extinct. Do you find it in your vicinity?

I believe I have in my collection, both in my herbarium, and also growing in my garden, every form hitherto found in this county, as well as some <sup>not</sup> included in Dr. D's *Flora Cestrica*.

If there is anything here you would desire for yours I shall be very happy to be the means of supplying it, and will take pleasure in doing so.

Yours truly  
Howard Darlington  
No. 305 N. High St.  
West Chester Pa.

West Chester Pa.

Oct. 30. 1886

Geo. E. Davenport Esq.

Medford, Mass: Dear Sir,

Your of  
26th. inst. is received, with specimens  
of Botrychium & Ophioglossum enclosed,  
for which I am much indebted  
to you. Two of them, O. Medicinale &  
B. simplex, I never had the pleas-  
ure of meeting with before.

Your list seems to include ev-  
erything I have found in this  
vicinity thus far. If I can oblige  
you in any way command me.

Yours truly

Howard Darlington

itself in a very upright  
manner. "It is some  
variation of that mis-  
leading 'Marginal'." I  
commented, then thought  
"Why don't you investi-  
gate! It may be  
something interesting."  
So, rather reluctantly,  
I went toward it.  
Then, to my surprise,  
it looked somewhat  
like a Liberty Splice.

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Wardland, Vermont.  
Dec. 12, 1906.

Geo. E. Saraport,  
Medford, Mass.

My dear Sir, -

In reply  
to your inquiry forwarded  
from Prof L. R. Jones of  
Burlington, Vt., I will  
give a few particulars  
on the finding of the



*Phoradendron Titix* was in Hartland.  
I had been making a special  
study of the ferns - all summer  
and was on the lookout for  
new species, when returning  
home from Hartland Village,  
on the afternoon of Septem-  
ber fourteenth, I decided to  
notice as many different  
ferns - as possible while  
climbing the three-mile  
ascent from the Four Corners  
to "Sacking Hill." The first  
mile rewarded me handsomely  
by a mile of open country  
intermead, then I began to  
scrutinize the ferns again.

Finally, being tired, I thought,  
"I shall not leave my ser-  
vage again!" At that mo-  
ment a fern attracted my  
notice, among *Cecygnis*  
Wood Ferns, as I called

P.S. You would like to  
know the nature of the  
section where *Sephadium*  
*Filiq-mas* grows, of course

The hill pasture  
near by is partly open  
and adapted to sheep  
grazing, partly wooded  
and partly swale land.

In places, ledges  
project from the sur-  
face (probably gneiss,  
the shale at Sabun -

dant - just west of large  
mass of pure white quartz  
is - and the new vein, of  
which there are three blocks  
of perhaps - half a dozen  
old plants - growing on a  
rocky knoll near the road  
& protected by a stone wall,  
Paper Birch - and Bram-  
ble. - Erigeron - Hard-tens-

tree in the same place.

Acetunary - Mountain - is in  
plain view from the knoll.

From the hill a few rods,  
may be found Coal-rot and  
Shoys Black - in early sum-  
mer and, in the opposite  
direction (westward), on a  
small cut, alpine - cliff, good  
Smooth - Wood and Black -  
lobed - Wood. The elevation  
is some fifteen or fifteen  
hundred feet - S. D.

summer I hope to secure  
some specimens - worthy  
a place in herbarium.

Next week my sister  
Evangelina and I expect  
to be present at the  
meeting of the State Bo-  
tanical Club in Bur-  
lington, where you  
should be pleased  
to meet us.

Respectfully yours  
Nancy Darling.

wort I turned a pond  
only to find shells -  
like indusia. Then  
I knew I had a treas-  
ure. I searched my  
jean books a long  
time trying to identi-  
fy it. Thinking at  
first that it could  
not be *Nephridium*  
*filix-mas* as it  
appeared to be.  
Finally, however, in

desperation - I concluded it  
could be nothing else.  
Mrs. J. E. Wood of N. Scotland  
is much interested in ferns -  
indeed, a true plant-lover.  
So her I sent a specimen  
of the new fern, and she,  
replying within two days,  
sent it. It is Sepheria-  
non virginica, and I  
congratulate you heartily  
upon the find. Then  
followed President Brandegee's  
confirmation and, later  
Prof. Woodward and Dr. Hayden's  
John Columbia. I have  
a good specimen or I would  
send you a good one. However,  
if you would rather have  
a poor one than none, to  
see in comparison with  
I will forward it. Best

Mr Geo. E. Sarnport  
Redford, Mass.  
Dear Sir

This  
morning I am sending  
you a specimen  
of the Fern *Felis*  
I am sorry it is not  
better in quality.  
You will ~~be~~ W  
send me something  
which is thoughtful

in you. I should  
like to see even one  
small frond of  
*Goodenia hyperborea*  
as I do not know  
the fern. The  
Meeting at Burlington  
was exceedingly help-  
ful and socially  
delightful.

Yours, respectfully,  
Nancy Leebing.  
Hustand, N.H.  
Jan. 23, 1851.

I trust you may have  
health & sight to pursue  
your work that we may  
have the pleasure & profit  
of your monograph &  
other work.

Cordially yours  
Elizabeth B. Davenport.

+ October 26 etc.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

Thank you for  
the postal. I feel quite  
encouraged that I should  
have guessed the pedigree  
of G. Watson's family.

I hope Mrs. Norton sent  
you fresh material of Trichom-  
ans - visum. I am truly  
sorry to say this, but I do  
not wish you to be misled,  
otherwise I would not write  
you thus. I hoped never  
to have to tell you that-



I have found her un-  
intelligible, and have grieved  
much over it. She tried in  
an untruthful way to get  
possession of the original ma-  
terial of this fern which Miss  
Anna Groat found in Brazil-  
leiros. You remember Miss Groat  
first found this Japanese  
var. in America. She is  
not aware that this matter  
is known to me, and I have  
been truly unhappy over it.  
I trust she really has found  
it herself.

I knew type material of  
Clintonianum was in Spr.  
and intend to see it some-  
time. I know you would  
enjoy my friend Mrs.  
Wright also Mrs. Terry.  
They are such fine true  
women, and that counts  
above all things.  
I subscribe for Rhodora  
(I have all the back  
numbers also), and shall  
anxiously await your  
article.









Dear Mr. Davenport:

I received a print  
of a fern strange to me  
from Pittsford, Vt. found  
by E. A. Woolson. No word  
came with it.

My friend from Greenfield  
has been here and told me  
of your visit. I wish I  
might have shared it with  
her, & would have come soon  
had I known you were so  
near Brattleboro. I showed  
her the above print & she  
recognized it as one you

Am Dept more time free. Still I will do  
his letter.

In June, I expect to be in Lowell, and  
will come some either to Boston or to Medford,  
whichever is most convenient for you, for  
a few hours.

Sincerely,  
yours

Elizabeth B. Stewart

October 2nd.

had with you, but she  
could not remember what  
you told her about it.  
Of course my print gives me  
nothing but form + relative  
size of parts, but it inclines  
me to guess it to be a hybrid  
meta-murana + possibly a  
Trichomanes. I should say  
simply related to the first.

Will you be so kind  
as to send me the enclosed  
card, with a line or two  
about it?

For a long while I have  
been desiring to write you  
about my summer, but

Brattleboro July 28. 1901.

Mr. George C. Davenport:

Dear Sir:

Will you be so  
kind as to tell <sup>me</sup> where  
I can obtain a published  
description of "A. marginale x  
crustatum, Davenport."  
<sup>I</sup> have not seen a specimen,  
and am much interested to  
know more concerning it.

Very truly

Elizabeth B. Davenport.

Address

Wes. A. C. Davenport.



1841 - now unreliable as a generalization may  
be. The growing conditions, as seen in the  
the water, are depressed ventral, the position  
of color. The strong individuality of the plant  
is water flying to the eye. I found the plants  
much inclined to pink at the apex. The  
character observed also in Spinulosum.

Occasionally in filix femina, and once in  
Stactemina. This may be a common chance  
twice, & my question remains only

#45 Green St. X  
Brattleboro, Vt. Aug. 18-  
Mr. George S. Davenport.  
Dear Sir:

I am very  
much indebted to you for  
the ferns and descriptive  
papers accompanying them.  
The package reaching me  
yesterday.  
I have just studied  
the ferns a little in the  
school room now, and  
have long desired a  
more thorough acquaintance

I was looking near a structure, near  
for one second, and was taken to task  
I am sure. But in my haste I gave  
the same, again, a bit for immolation,  
in a situation & description. I should be directly  
intended to find the latter there, as Mon.  
quile was rare about, and my collection  
is that I found some of these departing  
from the type, and was surprised at their  
more familiar look. This is an interesting &

with me. The course  
has been more than  
hundred for fifteen years,  
and the same I am  
as to the God hills of the  
Green Mt. in the town of  
Mandale & Jamaica, to which  
some observations made  
there in my time. I had  
some weeks of quiet study,  
and began my long delayed  
observations among the people.  
But also saw some,  
rocky woods and rolling  
meadows & pastures, well  
but in easy reach.

imagine a Vermont Woods had soon  
fallen change.

The station was about 1200 ft. - 700' low down -  
number of species not large, but territory not  
exhaustively searched.

*A. aestivoideus* common & abundant.

*A. Boettii*

*A. cristatum*

*A. marginata* - rare -

*A. noveboracense* common

*A. ?* *pinulorum*

46. " *var. dilatatum*, passing into -

*prehen* & type -

an unmarked group  
looking so much a part  
of the place with its soft  
glow and suggestion  
of winter now  
matched only by the song  
of the Hermit Thrush,  
that one could easily  
feel that no other  
Season than Summer  
had ever reigned there,  
and that the ferns &  
the birds had dwelt  
there together unchanged  
for centuries. I could not

*A. thelypteris*, common.

*A. filix-foemina*, common; several kinds described.

*A. thelypteris* " " " " " "

*C. fragilis*. Not common.

*D. pinnatifida* " (Pinnatifida) sub. in woods.

From the cleanings, Epiphytic beauties.

For color deeper & richer, set best of

fronds is like as garden, very -

*D. stricklandii* common.

*C. cinnamomea* "

*C. Claytoniana* "

*C. regalis* ac. external.

perceiving it.

Found also two plants of  
*Jilix gemina* with scape  
and rachis a rich pur-  
plish red, of course duller  
on drying, the color extend-  
ing almost to the apex.  
Neither were fruited. They  
grew near together & among  
the *Spinalium*.

The latter ferns drew  
me again & again into  
The hemlock swamps,  
where among the fallen  
woody trunks, they grew

*P. polypodioides*, frequent, often  
by the roadside.

*P. aquilina*, common.

*B. Virginianum*

*C. Vulgatum*.

*A. pedatum*. Found but a  
one place. In the towns  
of Marlboro & Wilmington, I  
find this fern considered  
rare by those interested  
in its beauty alone. On  
Ascutney found it growing  
in great abundance & vigor,  
certainly at a great ele-  
vation.

found some small specimens  
(6 4-10 in.) of *Spiraea lacina*  
fruiting sparingly. Was not  
one of species -

Very sincerely

Elizabeth H. Davenport.

#45 <sup>✓</sup>Green St. Braintree, Mass. Vt.  
January 11-1902.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

Thanks for your re-  
marks concerning Var-  
obliquum.

I have been looking  
over Mr. Clute's "Our  
Ferns in their haunts,"  
and am disappointed  
to find so little new  
to me -  
In Fern Bulle -

publication if it is attainable.

Will you be so kind as to send  
me name of Publisher, or send  
my name for subscription & the  
same - Very truly

Elizabeth B. Sampson.

For July I saw  
the announcement  
that you were prepar-  
ing some leaflets for  
use in Public Schools.  
No publisher was  
named, and no  
terms given.

I feel that I cannot  
lose any thing you  
may prepare for



<sup>4</sup>  
For Mr. George E. Davenport  
# 67 Falls way Nest

Mrs. Alonzo C. Davenport

Medford

Mass.

forward with interest -  
of the plants already, at  
my disposal, and shall  
preserve them carefully.

I presume you will  
like to retain the specimens  
sent - Very truly  
Elizabeth B. Davenport -

Made green Thelypteris  
9.12

#45 Green St. March - 16 - 1902

My dear Mr. Davenport -

By the afternoon mail  
of yesterday, I sent you  
two fronds of a fern which  
has been of much interest - to  
me.

In July of last year I found  
a fern growing in the garden  
of Mr. Lucien Howe, of Brattleboro,  
which had an entirely unfamiliar  
leaf look. Finding the fruited frond  
which I sent you, *A. thelypteris*  
seemed the suggestion, but you  
will perceive in what particulars  
it differs from the normal fruit-  
ing frond of that fern.  
On inquiry I found it came

from under a hemlock hedge, and other plants -  
were there - possibly *Wendlandia* from one original  
root, as the hedge has been in place many years.  
The sterile found come from one of the latter plants.  
I laid these away intending to compare with  
some fresh material of *A. chrysolepis*, but cir-  
cumstances prevented, and it was only last week  
that I was able to get at these specimens again.  
In the habit of these plants - there was nothing to  
suggest *A. chrysolepis*, none of that wood-blown  
look suddenly asserted, and leaving the ground  
at windy angles, and the slender stalks &  
and finally divided panicle gave the plant a  
most delicate and fragile air.  
I was greatly interested to find the <sup>crests</sup> ~~flowers~~  
in the superior basal panicle, and the beautiful  
perianth therein, I could not recall that  
I had ever found this in *A. chrysolepis* -

I am practically sure I can trace  
the hedge to the neighbor's wood where it  
came from, and as soon as the ferns are  
multiplied far enough to make this of use -  
I shall visit the place & I think Mrs.  
How will also, and look over the ground  
there. In any event I am looking



with Raspberry seeds.

One root can which I have ~~two~~  
a time) in contact the much -  
the principal substance & inferior  
fossils of lower ~~group~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~strata~~ -  
fossils ~~to~~ <sup>is</sup> ~~not~~ <sup>not</sup> ~~examined~~  
root to see if smaller plants -  
were off shoots, but one felt as  
though it were. I thought I  
would not disturb the root be-  
fore sending it to you.

If possible I always come home  
over the hill, with to look at the  
beautiful A. ebenense. A day I  
collected some thinking the English  
like them for years, when garden.

I have put in two roots -  
A Spinulosum. Will give all one  
to many hope to find better  
representations of the type &

I have never yet found what  
I called one fully as type. Some -

meetings begin I am so deeply  
interested in them and the friends  
that I do not like to absent  
myself from them. I shall  
attend the regular meetings,  
of the Society, with my wife,  
if we can find room before we  
are obliged to leave the  
city. I shall be much in  
debted to you for all the back  
numbers of the Journal more  
and am intending to give

to the Society.  
I have also been to the  
meeting at the University  
of Cambridge and I am  
very much interested in  
the many interesting papers  
read in Washington and  
I have heard of you - I have  
heard of Manchester and  
I have the snow capped peaks  
of the Green Mountains in  
the background - I am  
very much interested in  
the many papers read  
and the very cold weather  
I am  
Wm. Williams Palmer Jr



many hours I hope this  
winter to looking up  
questions left over from  
the summer.

Do you know who  
is devising the terms for  
the new edition of *Erasmus*?  
President Brainerd gave  
us the *Violet* as they will  
figure there. Dear Dr. Soley  
the life history of the *Aster*,  
a poem, as nature teaches  
her lovers, from end to  
end.



A fine spirit of interest  
marked all the meetings  
and how could any train  
be obtained, with Mr-  
Conner the inspiration  
to all good feelings and  
good work?

If I were in a case  
of danger I would go to  
"Curlington" for a course  
in special morphology.

Sincerely yours  
Elizabeth B. Davenport

AUDUBON SOCIETY OF VERMONT.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF BIRDS.

ELIZABETH B. DAVENPORT,

CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY.

BRATTLEBORO, VT.

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Feb. 14 - 1903

My dear Mr. Davenport -

I have seen nothing  
from your pen in such - the Bul-  
letin for Rhodora for a long  
time - I trust you are well.

I have been in California with  
Mr. Chapman & wife, Dr. Merriam  
& family, Dr. Palmer & others -  
Have been to the Farallones; that  
wonderful place for bird life -

Am not just returned from  
Canada Wilds, Clinton Township  
P. Q. Found no new forms - thought  
I should find conclutis, but failed -  
Did find braunii.

The most interesting find was that young form  
of B. virginianum. Some I think are Spore plants -  
I never saw for instance single 6-ford form in this  
State before. These show the venation so beautifully  
I thought you might like them -

In a number of hollows by the Brook side,  
in rich beech & Birch woods (except alluded)  
I came across these tiny plants several times.  
The old plants were large & vigorous and  
filled the woods. Some specimens of neglecta;  
I am I have taken the Victorogatum form  
- I could not see one of - Is the shape  
that of a former form? The St. L. looks well

ground. (young venation)  
Saxifraga & Linaria I have yet to find in  
the field. In Tralliters have found some  
fine oblongum with last year's form in good  
conditions, this year's form perfect, and had  
for next year in fine state for study.  
Also some neglecta with a second fruiting found  
about middle; just a tiny beginning at base of -  
sterile form. These I send - I - Bark - St.

Very sincerely yours

Elizabeth B. Davenport.





to be made.

I shall be in Cambridge the  
last week in Nov. You if Spring  
come or earlier in the fall  
I will ask the privilege of coming  
to see your fern gardens in Mel-  
ford. As it is I may come  
with the store for a few mo-  
ments. I am to attend our A. C.  
M. meetings.

Very truly yours  
Elizabeth B. Davenport

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ELIZABETH B. DAVENPORT,  
CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY.  
BRATTLEBORO, VT.

Oct. 22 '95

Dear Mr. Davenport  
I hope for straight-  
forwardness in the coming

I do regard position of Terre  
ford in this year marked con-  
cedations, because I was told  
in one of our field meetings that  
concedations was later in fruit-  
ing than matricaria foliata, that  
some cases of latter would be coming  
in July etc. I shall be glad should  
I can use strong lens on buds.

I am to report on Mrs. Wright's  
specimens at our mid-  
meeting in Burlington. I will  
only say "Mr. Davenport says

They are much like the Syra-  
cuse specimens, named by Dr  
Kennedy & Brongniart, in  
"that he will give them further  
study in the coming Spring".  
You remember - I wrote you I had  
them at the Midwestern Meet-  
ing, where Dr. Brongniart & Dr. Kenne-  
dy thought them strange & distinct  
macrocarum. Dr. Kennedy was guest  
with us at that time.

I want our Club members to  
go over their collections carefully,  
and see what they reveal in  
the light of more recent study  
of B. rynchocum.

Thank you for telling me of the  
find of leucoid at Wilmington.  
Strange is it not that this is one

is such a long fern? The  
why is most interesting.  
I am asking myself if these  
forms (Syracuse) are accounted  
for by change in environment?  
May they not once have existed  
in the north - before the Great  
Sprung over the old flood plain.  
I should like to know if the Mich-  
igan & Montana plants were  
similarly situated. What one resi-  
dence number of conditions may  
come in to modify, and how  
interesting if we could trace  
them out.

You wrote me Parkman, & I have  
it - the development of such a  
subprovenience of fossil would  
lead me to expect fertile forms

Will you also let me know how your eye  
is now?

Mr. Pringle is returned to Burlington with  
specimens & awaiting our Co's share of Mexican  
flora. I shall have the pleasure of some hours  
with him. I wish we might see you here  
some year. Very truly yours

Elizabeth B. Davenport.

I have had great work, going just to St. John's  
every 8th across the State.

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SECRETARY.  
BRATTLEBORO, VT.

#57 Wampanoet St. Lowell, Mass.

Jan 2nd 1905

My dear Mr. Davenport:

While in Cambridge  
the last week in Nov., I tried  
to find you at your place  
of business, and to my great  
disappointment - failed of do-  
ing so. I came in soon after  
9 on Dec. 1st, & waited al-  
most a half hour in the  
store but no one was about  
any where. Mr. Chapman  
was ill, and the remainder



of the meeting of the N.H. Bot. Club since  
his month: I am in Executive Com. and  
should like to report—finding of *B. lanugini*  
at Willoughby, which you told me of. Would  
you loan me the label, print you spoke of  
as having? I think you saw the specimen  
was in the Herbarium of Dr. Kennedy, but  
I would like collector's name & date. Will  
return the print to you immediately after—  
the meetings of you will suit me well—do?

of the day & I was occupied &  
so could not make a further  
attempt, leaving these Lab.

Many other things I intended  
to do & failed of. Would very  
much to see some of the  
ferns in Mr. Mullis' Garden  
& Barbours, and to go out  
to the Gardens, but I had  
several ladies, strangers & the  
A. O. U. people, for whose  
"good time" I feel responsi-  
ble, and this meant intro-  
ducing them to friends &c. so  
that I really had no leisure.

I mention it thus early so  
that you may keep it in  
your mind.

Of course I will write you  
if I make my Southern U.  
trip, or if any items of interest  
transpire. I trust you will get  
to the Bob. Garden in N. I. before  
winter - over took you. Dr. Howe  
returns from Porto Rico Apr. 2nd.  
I wish you knew his two younger  
brothers they are two of "my boys",  
such clean souled earnest men.  
One is at Baltimore School teaching,  
the other is N. H. Prin. of High School.  
Very truly your friend  
Elizabeth B. Davenport.

5<sup>th</sup> Warralancit St. Lowell.

My dear Mr. Davenport.

You and your wife  
have my sincere sym-  
pathy in the indisposition  
of the passing winter and  
I trust spring days will  
bring you both renewed  
vigor. You need have had  
no hesitation in writing me,  
I know only too well how  
circumstances, seeming small  
in themselves, are often an  
surmountable barrier to the

Fulfillment of plans.

In the days when illness or duties

shut me in, I have over all the glorious hours I have spent on hills & in woods & pastures, & as escape with an unending reason of joy & bloom. I think there is one of the un-failing joys which we who love the natural life never can lose.

If I am, indeed in my plans I hope to walk over the hills in Somerset & Woodford in May. Shall go down to Greatfield to Mrs. Wright a day now & again, & in to meet Mrs. Leary there and in Northampton.

Later it is to be Mansfield again

for our Clubs meet there in July.

Perhaps you might join us there.

Accommodations will be poor for them will be many, but if you could come up to Mr. Harlow's, at Little Inn at the foot of the Mt., previous to the meetings, there would be easy access to the North & Cliffs and woods of the mountain side.

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Very truly your friend  
Elizabeth B. Sampson.

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... took two ... or more, & as they are ...  
... his collection, ...  
... museum of Yale or Harvard. ...  
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There, it will <sup>be</sup> 20 miles south,  
for she is constant, & it is not  
likely to be similar, all removed.  
There were spots (within the stocks)  
as large as my hand at  
last, without vegetation.  
The ground is about the  
same depth, nothing, at  
that distance would be  
obtained, it is a  
the work of the river itself.  
I will surely send you  
living material when I find  
if I can well - I am interested  
in it, interested in it.

I am specially glad to  
see you - until when. Yours



57 Wannalancit St. Lowell, Mass.

March 15th 1906

My dear Mr. Davenport.

I have been delayed in coming to Lowell by illness in my family in Philada., when I was called upon for a visit there in the winter.

I came down the 10th, and have been suffering so with neuralgia I wanted to write you till I was sure the attack was over.

If convenient for you, I will be pleased to come to Boston or to Medford to meet you, and will leave you to name the day and place.



from the Garden, although I was out all  
to go up there. I have seen you from along  
during the year.

Michael, New-York

Elizabeth B. Sauerborn,

I shall see you till the first  
week in April.

Should circumstances not  
be convenient, you do not  
disturb yourself at all, I am  
here every year, and will  
be pleased to come another  
time.

Your Circle meets at Mans-  
field in July, this year. Per-  
haps you would join us?

We hope to have some friends  
from Harvard & Berk. garden  
with us also. We expect to put  
up with limited accommoda-  
tions on the mountain.

In Nov. I was in N. Y.  
I saw a few of the gentlemen

Cambridge, Sept. 5.

Dear Sir:

It is planned to have some informal dinners before certain of the American Academy meetings this winter, & twelve Fellows with whom I have spoken have allowed the announcement of their names as "proposing to attend" - May I not add your name to the list? -

Very truly yours

Wm. D. Davis.  
Corr. Sec.

Mr. J. E. Davenport

BENJAMIN L. ROBINSON,  
Curator.

CYRUS G. PRINGLE,  
Collector.

MERRITT L. FERNALD,  
Assistant.

MARY A. DAY,  
Librarian.

GRAY HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY,

BOTANIC GARDEN, CAMBRIDGE, MASS.,

10 Sept. 1901.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

Mr. Fernald has gone today on a collecting trip and will not return until Friday. He asked me to answer a part of your letter and say that he would look up the plant referred to on his return and write you about it.

The correct reference to the genus Athyrium is Roth, Tentamen Florae Germ. iii. 58, and to A. Filix femina, Roth, Tent. Fl. Germ. iii. 65. Prof. Eaton must have made a mistake in citing the volume, as no such genus appears in volume two.

Prof. Eaton's herbarium is now under the care of Dr. A. W. Evans, whose address is 2 Hillhouse Ave., New Haven, Conn.

He is very kind to answer questions  
referred to him.

Yours very truly,  
Mary A. Day.

Brewster Pl.  
Cambridge, Mass.  
Dec. 7-1854.

Mr. Geo. E. Draper,  
New York.

I am very much obliged  
to you for your kindness in  
looking at my ferns and  
returning them to me.

I am glad to find they  
are what I thought they  
were. Very truly yrs.

Walter Deane.

5 Brewster Pl.  
Cambridge, Mass.  
Sept 3-, 1880.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,  
Dear Sir-

Your very kind note, enclosing the Botrychia, is just received and please accept my kindest thanks for the information and also the kind offer of some Ferns. I shall be very glad to accept what you can give. Of the Manual species I want those marked on the enclosed list. I have ventured to mark some that I already have received from others, poor specimens, in the hope of getting better. I especially want the Tropical *Aspidium spinulosum* & *Botrychia truncatum* and the varieties. Any of our No. Amer. Ferns outside of the Manual limits I am only too glad to catch,

Though my aim at present is to com-  
plete as far as possible the Flora  
of the Manual with the rest of  
your specimens. My friend Kied.  
Mrs. Perry of Ireland keeps me  
supplied with Botanical specimens and  
H. Bailey of Mich. Agric. College,  
always sends me a set of his dupli-  
cates of his own services.

I shall be very grateful for any  
of the above terms and if I can  
give you anything in return from  
my duplicates of Willsborough Lake  
or elsewhere I may be able to  
make a slight return -  
I go to Nantucket Sept-5<sup>th</sup> for  
a week. Very truly yrs.

Walter Deane.

I am very glad to have ye list  
of Photographs and when I have  
a little more leisure I shall  
surely order some -

checked list with the  
photos. that I may order  
again sometime. I should  
like very much to see  
all the views. Of course,  
there is not the slightest  
hurry about this -

Very truly yrs.

Walter Deane.

Could you put the locality  
on the back of the views  
with the names? w.d.

5 Brewster Pl.  
Cambridge, Mass.  
Sept. 23-1885.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport, Dear Sir

May I venture to pre-  
sume once more on your kind-  
ness? I send by mail a  
parcel of a few Botrychia  
which it would give me the  
greatest possible pleasure to  
have you verify at your  
convenience. You will see from  
the mounted specimens that  
I have taken Dr. Farlow's  
determination of the Shel-  
burne ones, but as he does  
not make a speciality of  
Fungi, I think he was a



Little doubtful about the  
variety. The Three Large  
ferns without Labels I  
collected in Shelburne, N.H.,  
The 6 small ones, in Nantucket,  
Mass. I see you include  
under *B. ternatum*, Eaton's  
varieties, *australe* and *sub var*  
*intermedium*. Then I know  
the Mr. O. B. Fayon, with whom  
I have botanized twice lately,  
found the var. *obliquum*  
in Shelburne. Could you  
give me your names and  
where they correspond to in  
Eaton's Ferns? Of the  
unmounted ones, you may

like to keep some. I enclose  
Labels which you might fill  
out and keep what you would  
like. I would gladly <sup>offer</sup> them  
all, only they are all I  
collected and I presume  
they are very old stories to  
you.

I enclose your list of veins  
with a dozen checked off,  
which I should like to  
unmounted. Would it  
trouble you to leave them,  
with the plants, at your  
place of business in town,  
and I can call for them  
some afternoon? Will  
you please put the

5 Brewster Pl.  
Cambridge, Mass.  
Sept-25-1885.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport.

Dear Sir:

I have but a moment be-  
fore going to town to thank  
you for the Ferns that came  
last evening - I am perfectly  
delighted and though you  
wish me to consider myself  
under no obligations, you  
must know the pleasure it  
gives to have those gaps  
in my Herbarium filled up.  
I shall hope to thank you in  
person if you leave my Ferns  
and Photos at yr office  
Very truly yo. Walter Deane.

Dear Mr. Davenport.

My long delay in answering you has been unavoidable as I have just received an answer from Prof. Smith whom I wrote to concerning your question - I enclose his reply. I trust it will answer - Very truly yrs.

Walter Deane.

Brewster Place,  
Cambridge

Feb 14 - 557.

Cambridge Mass,  
Dec. 6 - 1893.

Dear Mr. Davenport -

Please find enclosed  
my check for \$19 <sup>15</sup>/<sub>100</sub> -

Underwood uses

*Cheilanthes gracilis* (Fee) Mett.  
*Woodwardia areolata* (L.) Moore.  
*Asplenium platyneuron* (L.) Oakes.  
*Phegopteris connectilis* (Michx.) Watt.  
= *P. polypodioides*, Fee

*Dryopteris* covers the whole genus  
*Aspidium*, Sw. It is subdivided  
into §1 *Aspidium* -  
§2 *Cyrtomium* -  
§3. *Polystichum* -  
§4. *Nephrodium* -

Sincerely  
W. Deane.

Cambridge Mass.  
Apr. 27-1894

Dear Mr. Davenport.

Dr. Moroy died yesterday at 4.20 P.M. at his son's house, on Tremont St. His funeral will be tomorrow, the 28<sup>th</sup>, at Boston at the Congregational Church. I shall take the 2 o'clock train at the Lowell Depot and Dr. Robinson will go with me -

Sincerely  
W. Deane.

Dear Mr. Davenport,

I enclose some  
Parks Flora Cards

Showing in what  
Herbaria certain ferns  
are. You may like to  
use the information.

Please keep the Cards  
and I will file  
them later.

Sincerely  
Cambridge W. Deane.  
Jan. 5 - 1895

9 Brewster St.  
Cambridge, Mass.  
Jan. 20-1896.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

The long-sought-for  
opportunity is at hand.  
I will meet you at the  
Gray Herb. and will take  
you to my house to  
dinner and, then we can  
talk, and I will show  
you some of my ferns.  
If the package of ferns  
is not too large, can you  
take it with you to the  
Herbarium, and I will  
take it home from there  
for I want to catalogue

them here - I hope this  
plan will agree with you.  
I know that it is not easy  
getting back to Medford  
but you will be here any-  
way you see - The elec-  
trics are not far from  
my house -

Mrs Deane joins me in  
urging you to take a  
quiet meal with us

So do say you will  
Just drop a Postal that  
I may know -

Sincerely yours  
W. Deane.



Jaffrey, N.H.


Sept. 19-1896

My dear Mr Davenport -

First let me thank you very much for your reply to the scraps I sent. I am glad I hit rightly upon that form of *Aspidium Rivensis*. I had no idea that *Aspidium spinulosum* & *cristatum* could approach in appearance. I have passed on the information. Thank you so much for the pamphlets. Why isn't the *Linnaean Fern Bulletin* a neat little paper? The plate of *Aspidium simulacrum* is very interesting and your remarks on *A. crist. x marg.* are equally so. Of course it should go on the Fern list. I should like to test Waters' Key based on the stipes. And lastly I have read with the greatest pleasure the whole story of the Boston Fern. It is a

very neat working up of facts  
and it is a joy to see your  
letter completing the story  
and recognizing the varietal form.  
My wife's mother for years had  
an elegant plant of the Boston  
Fern & it was the admiration of  
every body. I called it *N. exaltata*  
without knowing the facts of its  
divergence from the type. You  
have done a good work for the  
florists. I had no idea that  
so many plants were sold  
annually in Boston -

It is delightful to hear from you  
occasionally. I remain here  
till Oct. 1. Then home to Cam-  
bridge. I rejoice that <sup>you</sup> are  
much better & growing fleshy!

 I congratulate you -  
I weigh 155 lbs., very good  
for me - Shall call on  
my return. Sincerely  
Walter Deane.

Whitefield, N.H.,  
Aug. 24-1897,

My dear Mr. Davenport:—

It is very gratifying,  
I assure you, to read so  
calm, dignified and strong  
a statement in regard to the  
relation of *Botrychium Comatum*  
to its varieties and I thank  
you very much for sending  
me the excerpt. I have  
just read it through and  
I cannot but feel that  
you are perfectly right  
in everything you say—  
Mrs. Deane & I remain

here in Whitefield through  
Sept. instead of going to  
Faffrey as we had planned.  
My aunt's illness renders  
our stay here necessary.  
It is a lovely spot in  
every way, with magnifi-  
cent views in all di-  
rections.

I should be glad to  
hear from you any  
time - I trust your  
health is good this  
summer.

Sincerely  
Walter Deane

Cambridge Mass.  
Oct. 17-1897.

Dear Mr. Davenport

It was very good of you to write me so kindly. It was unfortunate that the cold should come just on the day of the meeting, when I had been looking forward to seeing you all so long - However I am quite well now, and we shall meet at the next meeting I feel sure.

You are indeed a very busy man, and you must be careful not to overdo. They should not those who are, so truly & earnestly scientific, have all the brief time allotted us here below

to give to furthering the  
interests of their particular  
branch. I refer to such  
men particularly as your-  
self.

So you were in Jaffrey  
& Ringje. But it a very  
beautiful country. We  
couldn't get there this year.

Oh, yes, you gave me  
the B. Simplex, monograph  
last June, and I have it  
on my shelf bound. I  
have read it through  
with great interest.

I shall find it hard to  
drop in on you, as I  
am working till 5 P.M.

Sincerely  
Walter Deane

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Walla Walla, W. T., Feb 10 1888

Dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th inst. and in reply to inform you that I am unable to give you any information as to the terms of the lease here. I am not at present in a position to consider the same during the coming summer and if that time will not be so late as to prevent your purchase of the same you such specimens as you may desire. Any further directions or inquiries regarding the same will be gratefully received.  
Yours truly,  
J. C. Dement

Emma, Mo July 15-97

Mr. George E. Davenport. Esq.  
Medford, Mass

Dear Sir:

Here are several

ferus as: Potrychum tenuatum V. luxurioses Middle

Aspidium aculeatum v. scopulinum Eaton

Asplenium ebencum v. proliferum Eaton

" rhizophyllum v. Biscayanum Eaton

Cheilanthes Parishii Davenport.

" Pringlei "

Nothochlaena octocosa Lieke

" Lemmonii Eat.

" tenera Willd.

Marsilea macropoda Engelm.

" micronata A Br.

" tenuifolia Engelm.

" mucronata A Br.

Isaetes melanospora Engl.

" floccida Shatt.

" Nuttallii A Br.

" pygmaea Engelm.

which I like to have for my Herbarium  
Should you have duplicates of one or  
the other above mentioned, please, dear  
Sir, let me have it. I pay promptly  
your Price. Send <sup>by mail</sup> at Concordia Lafayette  
Co. Mo. because Emma is only a Catch pole Post.  
Very truly Yours G. H. Davenport P.



+ Coahuila, Mo. March 29. 1903

Mr. George E. Dawson per

Medford, Mass

H My dear Mr. Dawson per.

Few days ago I received *Cheilanthes gracillima* from Mr. Suttsdorf and was astonished about the difference betw. this plant and Mr. Pringle's no. 2777 collected in the State of Coahuila, Ledges, Carreros Pass, Mexico, 3 Sept. 1889. The stems of this latter acutraned plant is clothed with long yellowish-brown scales - while the stems of Mr. Suttsdorf's plant are dark brown smooth & shining. You have doubtless both plants in *Cheilanthes gracillima* 2. *var.* fr. *Washington* and fr. *Mex* etc. Will you not kindly look over <sup>only</sup> your special <sup>to</sup> ~~specimens~~ and tell me if Mr. Pringle's plant: no 2777 is or is changed or not.

Please, my

Dear Sir, do me this favor.  
I am a passionate lover  
of our Ferns & Mosses, all in all,  
but need the help of experts,

I also hunt since years for  
*Salvinella rupestris* *Randleri*  
" *virginicola*

" *Watsonii*

and *Lycopod. sabinaefolium*.

Should you have to spare a  
bit of these plants please  
send it, I will pay your  
price with postage return.

With the best regards

I am Dear Sir

Yours truly

C. H. Dumortier



The Asa Gray Bulletin,  
1337 Wallach Place N. W.

Washington, D. C. Sept. 27, 1897.

Mr. George E. Davenport,  
67 Valley St., Medford, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of July 26, in regard to  
The Asa Gray Bulletin and The Massachusetts  
Horticultural Society, was duly received by  
Mr. Hicks, but I regret that it was mislaid, hence  
this much-delayed reply.

A letter received from Mr. Robert Manning states  
that the Society can not subscribe for the  
Bulletin but will exchange. The Society is there-  
fore now on our exchange list for future numbers.  
The demand for back numbers, however, in  
connection with their scarcity compels us to  
adhere closely to our stated price of 10¢ per copy,  
post paid. We can now furnish all back numbers  
except nos. 1 & 2 (1893) and no. 14 (May 1896), a total  
of 16 numbers, not including those missing, up to June  
of the present year when we took charge of the Bulletin.

Very truly yours,

Clyster H. Dewey,  
Business Editor.

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The Asa Gray Bulletin,

Washington, D. C. January 18, 1898.

Mr. George E. Davenport,  
Medford, Mass.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter enclosing a check for \$2.<sup>10</sup> for back numbers of The Asa Gray Bulletin to the beginning of the present year was received this morning. I will mail to you tomorrow all except No. 1 which is out of print.

nos. 2 to 17 inclusive, 16 numbers @ 10c	\$1.60
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The next number, the first of Vol. 6, will be issued about February 1.

The outlook for the Bulletin appears favorable. It only needs the encouragement of the friends and admirers of Dr. Gray and the lovers of out-door botany.

Very truly yours,

Lyster H. Dewey,  
Business Editor.

1337 Wallack Place.