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

Dear Mrs. Davenport,

Can you give me  
the address of Mrs. Pratt?  
I have forgotten his initials.  
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 *Quercus*  
*occidentalis*.  
Neither Frank nor myself  
have ever seen it in our

limits. If you chance upon  
a county specimen, you  
would 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.

We 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 these fall,  
with your permission, I  
shall submit over fern  
list to your final revision.

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

Yours very truly  
L. K. Sargent

High School

Feb. 17, 1897

Dear Mrs. 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. Danner

Virginia 4000 ft

valida

<sup>1</sup>  
→ <sup>2</sup>  
B<sub>1</sub> lunarensis Hall

Florida -

no date  
or data

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Utah B<sub>1</sub> fumaroides

2. B. australis

Florida

Chap.

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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 country. 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 country, 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 Spoken.

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Wheatland, 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



*Phragmites* 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 "Dashing 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 *Cyclogreen*  
Wood Ferns, as I hold my

P.S. You would like to know the nature of the section where *Sephadium Fitchii* 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 surface (probably gneiss, tho shale is Tabun-

duct - just west of high  
mass. of pure white quartz  
is - near the new tunnel,  
which there are three dumps  
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. - Coarctata - Wood - Stems -  
grow in the same place.

Ascenting Mountain is in  
plain view from the Knoll.

From the hill a few rods,  
may be found Local - root and  
Shoys - leaves - in early sum-  
mer and, in the opposite  
direction - westward, in a  
small - sub - alpine - cliff, grow  
Smooth - Thordia and Thort -  
lobed - Thordia. The elevation  
is some fourteen or fifteen  
hundred feet -

J. S.

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

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

Respectfully yours  
Nancy Darby.

work I turned a pond  
only to find shells -  
like *indurata*. Then  
I knew I had a treas-  
ure. I searched my  
fern books a long  
time trying to identi-  
fy it, thinking at  
last that it could  
not be *Sphaeridium*  
*virginianum* as it  
appeared to be.  
Finally, however, in

duplication - I concluded it  
could be nothing else.  
Mrs. E. L. Child of A. Scotland  
is much interested in ferns -  
indeed, a true plant-lover.  
So her I sent a specimen  
of the new fern, and she,  
repeating within two days,  
"Oh - It is Asplenium -  
non Asplenium, and I  
congratulate you heartily  
upon the find." Then  
followed President Brainerd's  
confirmation and, later  
Prof. Underwood and Dr. Hayden's  
firm Asplenium. I had  
a good specimen as I would  
and you a good Asplenium.  
If you would rather have  
a pair or than none, to  
use in comparison work,  
I will forward it. Best

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

This  
morning I am sending  
you a specimen  
of the Gem Soap  
from Felix-mas  
am sorry it is not  
better in quality.  
You wish ~~me~~ to  
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.  
Hartland, N.H.  
Jan. 23, 1955.

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-  
ones - invisum. 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-  
telligible, 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-  
Urbro. You remember Miss Groat  
first found this *Juniper*  
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 Sir -

I have been very much  
pleas'd to hear of your  
return to the country & to  
hear that you are well  
and that you are  
still in the country  
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Travellers in the  
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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 down had I known you were so near Brattleboro. I showed her the above print & she recognized it as one you

Am Dept more than busy. Still I will do  
his letter.

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

Sincerely yours

Elizabeth B. Stewart

October 20th.

I 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  
cristatum, Davenport."  
I have not seen a specimen,  
and am much interested to  
know more concerning it.

Very truly

Elizabeth B. Davenport.

Address

Mrs. A. C. Davenport.



are now unobtainable among the collectors they  
see - the growing crinoids, as seen in me.  
The crinoids are depressed ovate, the granular  
color, the strong individuality of the plant  
as distinguished by the eye. I found the fossils  
much inclined to pink at the apex. This  
character I observed also in *Spiruloceras*.

Occasionally in fine demand, and once in  
Sackheim. This may be a common Chinese  
fossil, & my question is whether only

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

I am very  
much indebted to you for  
the forms and descriptive  
papers accompanying them,  
the package reaching me  
yesterday.  
I saw ago studied  
the genus a little in the  
School just now, and  
have long desired a  
more thorough acquaintance

I was looking Messrs & Brothers, here  
for one week, and was taken to see  
the same. But in my walk I saw  
the same, again, about four miles from  
William's house. I should be sorry  
to find the latter there, as Mon-  
signile was rare about, and my recollection  
is that I found some there deserted.  
I am the type, and was recognized as such  
my familiar look. This is my way of writing. 2 -

with interest. The business  
has been more than  
forty years for fifteen years,  
and the same went  
up to the top of the  
Green Hill, in the town of  
St. Michael & Jamaica, it is  
some observations made  
there in the year 1810.  
Some weeks of quiet study,  
and began my long delayed  
observations among the people.  
But soon saw much,  
rocky woods and rolling  
meadows & pastures, were  
within easy reach.

imagine a Vermont bird had been  
fallen change.

The elevation was about 1200 ft. No condensation  
number of species not large, but territory not  
exhaustively searched.

*A. arrostrochoides* common & constant.

*A. Botlii*

*A. cristatum*

*A. marginata* rare.

*A. noveboracense* common

*A. phimborum*

4. " var. *diatatum*, passing into *ulm-*

*medium* type -

an unmarked group  
looking so much a part  
of the place with its soft  
glow and suggestion  
of winter now more  
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, ever found & etc. -

*A. thelypteris* " " " " " "

*C. fragilis*. Not common

*D. filicinaucula* " " " " " "  
From the cleanings, Epiphytic, beautiful.

The color deeper & richer, but best of

forms is alike as in garden, rare -

*D. densicincta* common

*P. cinnamomea* "

*P. Claytoniana* "

*P. virginica* occasional.

perceiving it.

Found also two plants of  
*filix 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* ferns.

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 roadsides.

*P. aquilina*, common.

*B. Virginianum*

*C. Vulgatum*.

*A. pedatum*. Found but in  
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.

5.  
I found some small specimens  
(6 4-10 in.) of *Spirin locum*  
fruiting sparingly. Was not  
sure of species -

Very sincerely

Elizabeth C. Davenport.

#45 <sup>✓</sup>Green St. Brauteworth Ct.  
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 Army Post

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 -

#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 blending's from one original  
root, as the hedge has been in place many years.  
The sterile found come from one of the Calla 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-blame  
look suddenly asserted, and leaving the fronds  
at windy angles, and the slender stalks &  
and finally divided pinnae gave the plant a  
most delicate and fragile air.  
I was greatly interested to find the <sup>roots</sup> ~~fronds~~  
in the superior basal pinnae, and the beautiful  
venation 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  
developed far enough to make them of use -  
I shall visit the place & I think Mr.  
Dorr will also, and look over the ground  
there. In any event I am looking

#5 Green St. Braintree C. S.

My dear Mr. Davenport:

I will send you, by express tomorrow, a bundle of ferns. Collected them in one of our much loved spots, a woodland swamp full of hummocks where old tree stumps are buried & rotting & covered with a tangle of treasures, & every sunny spot crowded

droop what I like to be  
Orbit taken with algae,  
of remains and for the  
name Leath - Decker, or not  
or, or cutting, or cuttings  
or cut or off -  
of garden or leaves  
for fern of Sparganium  
which I will send for  
you - of - relax, later -  
Very truly  
Edw. A. B. Davenport

with - Raspberry seeds.

One (not Can which I have ~~two~~  
a time) interested me much -  
the female - superior & inferior  
females of lower ~~form~~ ~~than~~ -  
females etc. I did not examine  
not 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 hence  
over the hill, just to look at the  
beautiful A. ebenenum. So many I  
collected some thinking you might  
like them for your "stem garden."

I have sent in - but not -  
A. Spinulosum. Will you tell me  
if I may hope to find better  
representations of the type &

I have never yet found what  
I think 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. I will be in I think I shall  
at one of the regular meetings,  
of the Society Club, with Mr. Long,  
to see Dr. Woodward before his  
departure.

If you will send  
me some specimens of *Spizella* and  
the specimens of *Spizella* I  
sent you last  
fall I shall be much in-  
debted. I have all the back  
numbers of *Woodward* now  
and am intending to give

#10  
Branford  
Dear Mr. Brewster  
I am back and again  
after many interesting years  
in Washington and California  
I have spent some warm winters  
in New York and Manchester and  
I saw the snow capped peaks  
of the Green Mountains in the  
early day - I am so glad  
to be home again, to the green  
and dry cold air.

Wm. William Palmer of



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

Do you know who  
is revising the Ferns for  
the new edition of Gray?  
President Brainerd gave  
us the Violets as they will  
figure there. Dear Dr. Suley,  
the life history of the Astor,  
a poem, as nature teaches  
her lovers, from end to  
end.



A fine spirit of interest  
marked all the meetings  
but how could any thing  
like obtain, with Mr.  
Conner the inspiration  
't - all good feeling and  
good work?

If I were ten years  
younger I would go to  
Burlington 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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Sep. 14-1903

My dear Mr. Davenport -

I have been awaiting  
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 now just returned from  
Canada Wilds, Clinton Township  
P. Q. Found no new forms. However  
I should find Conchites, but failed -  
Did find braunii.

The most interesting find was these young forms  
of B. virginianum. Some I think are Spain plants -  
I never was fortunate enough to find them in this  
State before. These show the venation so beautifully,  
I thought you might like them -

In a number of hillsides by the Park Road,  
in rich bush & thick woods (except alluded  
to) I came across these tiny plants - several times.  
The old plants were large & vigorous and  
filled the woods. Two specimens of neglecta;  
the one I have put the Victorietan fruit  
on - I could not see sure of - Is the shape  
that of a former find? The spot looks well  
ground. (young venation shown.)

Sanjour & Lumiera I have yet to find in  
the field. In Brazileros have found some  
fine obliquum with last year's fruit in fine  
condition, this year's fruit 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 -  
stipula found - these I sent - I - Barber's, too.

Very sincerely yours

Elizabeth B. Damppert.



It is a very common mistake to suppose that  
the eye is a simple organ, and that the  
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to be over.

I shall be in Cambridge the  
last week in Nov. Now it is spring  
time or earlier in the fall  
I will ask the privilege of coming  
to see your fern gardens in Mil-  
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

AUDUBON SOCIETY OF VERMONT.  
FOR THE PROTECTION OF BIRDS.  
ELIZABETH B. DAVENPORT,  
CORRESPONDING  
SECRETARY.  
BRATTLEBORO, VT.

Oct. 22, 1904

Dear Mr. Davenport:

Thanks for straight-  
ening out the lanceolatum.

I also regard position of sterile  
form on stem you marked lanceolatum, because I was told  
at one of our field meetings that  
lanceolatum, was later in fruit-  
ing than matricariaefolium, that  
some cases of latter would be complete  
by 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 midwinter  
meeting in Burlington. I will  
only say "Mr. Davenport says

They are much like the Syracuse specimens, named by Dr. Woodward B. Chondrogone, but that he did give them further study in the coming Spring. You remember I wrote you I had them at the Michigan meeting, where Dr. Bramwell & Dr. Kennedy thought them strange Myrica macrocarpa. 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. trichocarpis.

Thank you for letting me of the find of Leonard at Wellington. Strange is it not that this form

is such a long form? 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 middle, before the Great Flood over the old flood plain. I should like to know if the Michigan & Montana plants were similarly situated. What one might number of variations may come in to modify, and how interesting if we could trace them out.

You sent me Parsons, & I have it. The development of such a subproliferance of tissue 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 representing our Coos, Sturis & 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 been most well, going just to St. John's -  
every 6 hours across the lake.

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#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  
street but no one was about  
any where. Mr. Chapman  
was ill, and the remainder



of the meeting of the N.H. Bot. Club comes  
this 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 blue 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 three Sat.

Many other things I intended  
to do & failed of. Would very  
much to see some of the  
ferns in Mr. Muller's 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 did get  
to the Bot. Garden in N. Y. before  
winter - overtook 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

75<sup>th</sup> Wampanoet 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  
insurmountable barrier to the

Fulfillment of plans.

In the days when illness or duties shut me in, I live over all the glorious hours I have spent on hills & in woods & pastures, & as escape with an unending season of joy & bloom. I think this is one of the unfailing joys which we who love the natural life never can lose.

If I am, inspired in my plans I hope to walk over the hills in Somerset & Woodford in May. Shall go down to Brafield to Mrs. Wright a day now & again, & try 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 Mrs. Harlow's, at Little Inn at the foot of the Mt., previous to its meetings, there would be easy access to the North & Cliffs and woods of the mountain side.

Dear Mr. Brewster  
I received the Boston  
Magazine & was  
glad and well & greatly pleased  
with the Lib. & its articles etc.  
will see to the annual meeting  
of our club in Burlington, in June.

When you to which I will  
be above the work of A. Nichols -  
and Katzenbach that was sent  
me that you may see it. I shall  
think G. W. Gordon would gladly wait  
your time for publication, especially  
as <sup>manuscript</sup> it is in hands of Dr. R.

I will see in Phila. about Nov.  
20th. Address will be 212 Spring  
Garden St., Cal. Br. address always  
reaches me - I sincerely hope you  
may be able to go to N. Y.

Very truly your friend  
Elizabeth B. Scaupport.

Dear Mr. Brewster X

Jan 5 1857  
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meas. & unknown. Can S. Allen, Boston, exam-  
ine Carl Bonnier's & the seeds in - and  
N. C. to Linné - He sent me specimen of this  
& Harvard (Yale I think) with the name  
that some botanists came to Br. in 1858  
that Mr. Frost could not name. He found  
Forsk. - Search failed to reveal the same name  
& The plant. In case you Mr. Frost the name  
was associated with the sub. B. B. B. B. B.  
When alive / plant please me about it. I have  
her written account which I will forward to  
you some time when I am home. She says that  
Forsk. has founds or more, & as they are not in  
his collection, i.e., Martley gave the name to the  
specimen of Yale or Harvard. B. B. B. B. B.  
I see to our High School. I am intending to have  
some photographs for - Burlington (Vt. 4. 1) x.  
I will send you a thank. Please do not mention  
that - I intend to have a photo-  
graph of you sent much to  
some way about my coming to Medford -  
I will certainly do so & will visit - you. I  
I will in Feb. - if you please to -  
1110. where in the 1110.





5  
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 to visit there in the winter.

I came down the 10th, and have been suffering so with neuralgia I wanted to write - you tell 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 far from strong  
during the year.

Michael, Jun<sup>r</sup> friend  
Elizabeth B. Samborski.

I shall be here 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.

Our Circle meet 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. J.  
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 just 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 v<sup>l</sup>.  
Cambridge, Mass.  
Dec. 7-1884.

Mr. Geo. E. Davenport,  
Dear Sir,

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 - 1885.

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 typical *Aspidium spinulosum* & *Botrychium ternatum* and the varieties. Any of our No. Amer. Ferns outside of the Manual limits I am only too glad to get,

Though my aim at present is to com-  
plete as far as possible the Flora  
of the Manual with the best of  
preserved specimens. My view of  
Mrs. Murray of Ireland keeps me  
supplied with Botanical specimens and  
Mr. Bailey of Mich. Agric. College,  
always sends me a set of his dupli-  
cates of No. Amer. Species.

I shall be very grateful for any  
of the above Ferns 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 yr 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 specialty 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 feel  
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? Well  
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 these 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 yr. 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 + 887.

Cambridge Mass,  
Dec. 6 - 1893.

Dear Mr. Davenport -

Please find enclosed  
my check for \$19  $\frac{15}{100}$  -

Underwood uses

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

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

Sincerely  
W. Deane.

Cambridge Mass.  
Apr. 27-1894

Dear Mr. Davenport,

Dr. Moray died yesterday at 7.20 P.M., at his son's house, on Tremont St. His funeral will be tomorrow, the 28<sup>th</sup>, at Aborn 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 not the *Simacian 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'll 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 - I'll 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 ternatum*  
to its varieties and I thank  
you very much for sending  
me this 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  
Jaffrey 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. That is a very  
beautiful country. We  
couldn't get there this year.

Oh, yes, you gave me  
the B. Simplex, memoirs  
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 5 1888

Dear Sir,  
I regret to inform you that since the beginning of  
winter I am unable to give  
you any information regarding  
the flour's quality here. I expect  
to be absent considerable during  
the coming summer and if that  
time will not be too late to  
answer your purchase, will try  
and send you such specimens as I can.

Any verbal directions you may  
regarding preservation of specimens  
will be gratefully received.

W. D. Dement  
J. H. Dement

Emma, Mo July 15-97

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

Dear Sir:

There are several

ferus as: Potrychium tenuatum V. luxurioses Middle

Aspidium aculeatum v. scopulinum Eaton

Asplenium ebencum v. proliferum Eaton

" rhizophyllum v. Bicayanum Eat.

Cheilanthes Parishii Davenport.

" Tringii "

Notholaena octava Lieke

" Lenououi Eat.

" tenua Willd.

Marsilea macropoda Engelm.

" micronata A Br.

" tenuifolia Engelm.

" uncinata A Br.

Isaetes melanospora Engelm.

" flaccida Shatt.

" Muttalli 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.



+ Emma, Mo. March 29. 1903

Mr. George E. Dawson per  
H

Medford, Mass.

My dear Mr. Dawson perit.

Few days ago I received *Cheilanthes gracillima* from Mr. Suetendorf and was astonished about the difference betw. this plant and Mr. Pringle's No. 2777, collected on the slope of Coahuila, Ledges, Carreros Pass, Mexico, 3 Sept. 1889. The stipe of this less accentuated plant is clothed with long yellowish-brown scales - while the stipe of Mr. Suetendorf's plant are dark brown smooth & shining. You have doubtless both plants of *Cheilanthes gracillima* 2. *Edin* fr. Washington and fr. Mexico. Will you not kindly look over your specimens <sup>only</sup> and tell me if <sup>the name of</sup> Mr. Pringle's plant: no 2777 is ever changed or not.

Please, my

Dear Sir, do me this favor.  
I am a passionate lover  
of our Ferns & Fern-allies  
but need the help of experts.

I also hunt since years for  
*Polypodiella rupestris* Runkeri  
" *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

W. H. Davenport



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.

*Aster informis?*

(*Xiclopappus*)

Beaumont

The Asa Gray Bulletin,

Washington, D. C. January 18, 1898.

Mr. George C. 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  
Subscription for 1897 .50

Amount covered by check ————— \$2.10

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,

Oyster H. Dewey,  
Business Editor.

1337 Wallack Place.