My dear Sir,

Woodbine Jan. 22 - Feb. 1886

I have in the first place to thank you for a most acceptable addition to my general herb, which was also deficient in N. C. Plants. I have in addition sent you all the duplicates I possess of the species I cannot yet recognize that there are not more of them. I will however send me much pleasure to collect them for you when I have the opportunity, and I hope to be enabled to send you many more of them. Likewise of the Fruits of some future years. I have numbered those species which I was not certain of. In a double purpose, that by getting them here from you, if you were not satisfied with them or by giving you the information of any other source - you mention in your letter to Mr. Christy, that you have a number of plants to dispose of which were collected by Mr. S. D. Leavitt in Florida. While he is not likely to become a purchaser of them, or any other that you may consider interesting, I should like you to mention it. You are kind enough to ask me which are my favourite facilities. I feel it difficult to answer this question, as the love for them all increased in proportion to my knowledge of them.
I expressed a wish to have leaves in love with the Tyrolean Alps—my new plan having enabled me to grow here and interesting plants without mole success, although living in a most rainy part of the town, I have avoided attempts to grow at least five hundred species and therefore very anxious to make my dried collection so complete as possible, in order to facilitate my kind of men. Through your kindness, I think of my friend at Best's Island, I have found to the common American ferns, but I am still very deficient in those Alps which are all members of England. Of the ferns in my native Alps — such as— the Polypodium, Asplenium, the Blechnum, Pityrogramma, Onoclea, the Osmunda, Dendrobus, Pteridium, and Polyandro — and these I will send you, in order to make my dried collection perfect, however the above plants I shall send you in early spring. Should you send living plants in any cases, I do not know the number of these you can employ to send plants to details of the room, you will think of me by returning the case filled with your two suits of suits, mending leaves, manure the paper, and please to send and I will think you will send me plants. And I will most gladly. I have been waiting for your letter with the leaves as well as with dear Sir,

Believe me to be—your dear Sir,

Yours most truly,

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