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Dear Sir;

Although I wrote to you less than three weeks ago from Christiania, it seems a long time ago, since, in the meanwhile, I have seen such strange countries and so many distinguished botanists. From Christiania to Stockholm, I went direct without seeing Trolhatten, as I found it would take time and money and the Falls themselves are not worth seeing. I find, that Mrs. Gray's advice about travelling in the second class cars does not work well in long journeys in Sweden or Russia. The second class is not, by any means, as good as in Germany and, unless one wishes to be very much fatigued, he must take first class. At Stockholm I went at once to the Museum and found that Prof. Anderson was not at home. Stockholm is a delightful city, decidedly the pleasantest I have

yet seen. This is not to be attributed to the museums and galleries, which, though good, are not remarkable, but to the picturesque appearance of the city itself, the beautiful surroundings and the intelligence and hospitality of the Swedes. As you know, the city is on several islands and there are a great many little steamers constantly moving about, some of the palaces are close to the water, and there are many gardens and picturesque landing places.

After a couple of days in Stockholm, I went to Upsala where I enjoyed myself more, for three days, than in any other place I have yet been and left with great reluctance. I went by the railroad and I accomplished the forty miles in just about four hours. I never saw such a slow train. The town is in a great plain, with only one hill, on which stands the castle. The town is fresher looking

family party at Prof. Friis and spent
 a most agreeable afternoon. Prof. Friis
 is very venerable looking and seems
 rather feeble. His hair is entirely
 white and he wears a velvet skull
 cap. He, and all the older men,
 however, are constant snuff takers
 and, every once in a while, his daugh-
 ters were obliged to take him out
 of the room to clean him. He is
 a very amiable man and often
 spoke of you as one of his best friends.

Of course, I saw the Cathedral
 with Linnaeus's grave and also
 his house and garden. In the
 Botanic Garden is a statue of
 Linnaeus by Bystrom which seemed
 to me very beautiful. We saw,
 lying on the pedestal, the card
 of the President of the Geographical
 Society of Italy with a most absurd
 Latin eulogy of Linnaeus. With
 this, I send you an Upsala album
 containing mementoes of Linnaeus

very large or well arranged. I saw
Linnaeus's myrtle, which is kept for
the purpose of giving travellers an
opportunity to help themselves to specimens
rather than to take more valuable
relics.

Dr. Areschoug is the richest of
all the Swedish botanists. He has
some money of his own and his
wife has just had a small fortune
left her by a brother who lived in
America. Dr. Areschoug is a very
pleasant man and I was surprised
to find that he was such a good
microscopist. He has a large
collection of beautiful preparations
that he has made showing antheridia
&c. I spent some time with him and
he showed me his herbarium
and gave me a number of specimens
from the Cape. He has a number of
students who are studying the
physiology of algae. I was obliged to
talk German to Prof. Areschoug. The

I found that my new genus, as Agardh believed as well as myself, between *Chordaria* and *Lichnammina* turned out to be Ruprecht's *Chordaria alietina*. However, it may be a new genus for I don't think much of Ruprecht's knowledge of microscopic structure. Maximowicz said there were duplicate algae but he didn't know where they were so that I am not much the richer. Dr. M. dined with me and I found that he had no photograph of you not being willing to ask for one lest you might be displeased. I have no doubt you will be happy to exchange with him as will also Mr. Watson of whose work he spoke in high praise.

From St. Petersburg I was persuaded against my will, to go to Moscow where I spent two days. In pictures and in poetry, the Kremlin is beautiful. In reality, it is dingy and dirty and full of uninteresting chains, old bones, gold treasures that look like brass, and precious stones that look like glass.

care to hear a description of St. Petersburg

After a great deal of trouble, I managed to find the Botanic Garden which is large and very rich, quite remarkable considering the latitude. The green houses are almost, if not quite, as good as at Kew. There are twenty-five in all and the collections of endogenous and succulent plants are magnificent. One house was filled with Acanthaceae and allied orders which made a grand display. Dr. Regel was not at home when I arrived but he soon returned and asked me to dine. I did not know that he was a German and remarked that it was surprising that his little boy spoke German when he told me that the whole family were Germans or rather Swiss Germans. The Regels live in a very primitive way, more like Swiss farmers than a St. Petersburg professor's family. We found Dr. Maximow-

There is not a thing which interested me in the city except the station by which we left. There was an exposition, somewhat instructive, but very badly arranged. From Moscow we had a nice little ride of 1300 miles to Berlin without sleeping cars. On my arrival, I found to my disgust that the three emperors were expected in two days and that not a room could be had in any hotel. After a while, I found a room in a hotel garnie close to the Linden.

I called at Prof. Braun's Hotel but found that he was in Brandenburg. I have seen the sights as well as the heat and crowd will allow. Never before have I suffered with the heat which, for six days, has been very great, so great that I cannot walk and the clouds of dust make the riding very disagreeable. The crowd has been growing greater and greater but culminated, here, last night.



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