

Easton
Oct.

Dear Professor,

When passing through
in August, it cost me a great deal
Dr. Parry's invitation to await you
accompany you in the ascent of
but circumstances were inexorable
obliged to return home with my party
not get nearer to it than Idaho,
which we went one day & came back
in private conveyances.

Most of our time was spent at
Springs & in a tour of 8 days up
across the South Park & the western side
the Arkansas, striking it just opposite
Harvard & Yale, thence up the valley
& the Twin Lakes, at the foot of the Rockies,
& thus back to South Park & eastward
to Canon City to Pueblo, where we took

Denver.

Although somewhat under restraint
fellow-travellers, who, whilst they adored
of the flora, could not fully sympathize
the enthusiasm of a botanist, I succeeded
of collecting whatever I could, & secured
in good condition specimens of a number
of plants, including mosses & lichens,
some unique.

The ground so well explored
Country much that is new could



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