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POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.

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Mr. Geddesworth

Dear Sirs. I find your card here
on my return from a 10 days trip
West. I thought I had mentioned
the close proximity of A. Ebenezer & Campion
to Ebenezer. The three knobs were
growing in a space not over 10 miles
in diameter. and in the vicinity
Campions was very abundant.
Ebenezer less so. The Rock was
limestone & tree ferns were growing
in the loose friable fallen
from the ledges. The spot where
Ebenezer grows is rather shaded.

On the ledges there were 3 of our
limestone living ferns. Campions,
Pellaea atropurpurea and Polypodium
mucronatum. There were two species of Ebenezer

I found 3 Fronds - 2 sterile
& 1 fertile. I enclose you the
fertile frond. You may keep
what we two please returning
me the other.

I sent the other sterile
frond to Mr. French, of the
Troy Bulletin, and a former
Poughkeepsian. I find his reply
here as my return. He considers
it very interesting & will note it
in the bulletin. I am sorry I did
not think to let you write a note
for the bulletin, as you might have
made a more interesting note
than he will. It will be
noticed in September Number of the
Bulletin.

Here is one more
frond on the plant which I will
pick soon. I have promised it
to Mrs. Rush of Syracuse, whom I
am indebted to for some very rare ferns.

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I first visited the locality early in the spring to get some plants of *Ruta graveolens* for Mr. Rust. I found them that A. Evans & Camp. grew together in considerable abundance & made up my mind to look the ground over later in summer for Ebenoiles. and when I visited the ground again about two weeks ago. I had not looked for more than 20 minutes before I was rewarded. I consider this a very remarkable part of it. as heretofore I have always stumbled over my ferns by chance or accident.

You ask me what I now think of ferns, which I take to mean

that you will try to supply some
of my dissidents & will send you a
list. This may be something too of
which you can use. I had a
plentiful week in July six and
about Springfield Mass. & intended
to get to Boston & call on you but I
was detained in Springfield over my
time & had to cut short my trip.

I had a week too in
Catskill Mts. collected acalathus
Braunii & B. Lancastrii Matucney.

I notice in an old Bulletin that
Lygodesia Pulmonaria and aspid. acalathus & ez.
have been found in N.Y. State & so it is.

Edwards in his Catalogue has asperula
Primitivis down for N.Y.

In my last trip I found B.
Lancastrii Matucney in Lackawanna Co Pa.
and B. Lancastrii in Chenango Co N.Y.

For the
Chesapeake Lichen.

I do not know what the Bulletin is printed but
perhaps it is not too late to change the name of
Ebenoides.

C.S.



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