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My dear Dr Kennedy:

I return today by Express, as you suggest, your box of Rubi; to which, as there was room, I have added a few Vermont specimens of Rubus, Eleocharis & Antennaria.

I have put on separate slips my various comments. The only perplexing specimens were the two or three smoother than ours from Willoughby Lake. Rubus argutus var Randii Benth. in our Green Mts seems to run right into R. Canadensis. In fact it is simply a dwarf R. Canadensis, inclined to be prickly. — I was surprised to find that you had only a scrap of Rubus villosus, Ait. I have often seen it about Boston — only last Nov. got some vines, with leaves beautifully colored, near Chestnut Hill reservoir. This species runs into Rubus Erlenii (your plant from Natural Bridge, Va.) & presents various forms which will sooner or later be marked off as varieties. I send you one from a dry gravelly hillside. Middlebury. Vt. Many of the stems are upright, in the same patch with trailing stems.

If there is a meeting of the N. E. Bot Club. Friday Evening March 2nd & shall hope to be present, & may possibly find you there; if not I shall try to run out & call on you on Saturday the 3rd.

Yes, surely spring is near at hand, & I never was more rejoiced to have the winter go. We can soon go out again on a hunt for Crotogeomys or Antennaria.

Please remember me kindly to Mrs. Kennedy & to the other members of your family whom I have met.

Yours sincerely

Ezra Brainerd.



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