

my cottage is, & during the coming summer I am going to "fix up" There is an old cabinet, some aged chairs & a "highboy".

There is an old Chippendale (style) writing Cabinet 7 ft high up there, but it is held by its possessors for about \$75. I don't want it as much as that! Still its fine & not quite in the last stages like the "One Cross Shanty".

Hoping it will be convenient at some date in the near future for you to have me call

Believe me,

Cordially yours

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My dear Dr. Kennedy:

It is indeed very kind of you to think of me in connection with your interesting home. I shall greatly enjoy seeing it when the opportunity arrives.

Unfortunately I have an engagement to lecture Feb 1<sup>st</sup> and I am therefore debarred from the pleasure; and also during the two following weeks. I find my diary filled with formidable appointments day & evening.

So I am going to ask if I may later on possess the treat? Particularly as my mind will be in better condition

for it. You know how it is — everybody gets sick at once! and everybody wants a design or a drawing just when one's hands are more than full. I suppose all professions are alike in this respect. Congestion or vice-versa!

Besides seeing the house I look forward to the pleasure of your company. I want to bring with me, some of the woodcuts of my work. There is a photo of the Bird Frieze containing 200 birds I painted in a house (I architected!) in Englewood N.J. And also I want to show you the odd 200 proofs of drawings I am now making to illustrate my Field book of Wild Flowers. now in

press. I thought you might like to see them.

I am working very hard now. I must forego pleasure for a season, from 9 to 5 I am at my easel, & from 8 to 10 p.m. I read proofs and puzzle over the botanical details of my book, not the least of which is this bothersome change in nomenclature. But I am faithfully following the successors of Dr. Gray, & by the kindness of Mr. Arnold my flower-names will be according to latest doctrine!

A propos of antique things in your garden my cousin & I picked up last summer some old relics, in N. H. where



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