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My dear Doctor,

I am back to my work here & find the City very comfortable after so long a vacation. I spent Wednesday at the Gray Herb. with Mr. Fernald & Dr. Robinson. The Dr. took me to lunch at the Colonial Club where I met Dr. Farlow. I broached the Fernald matter to him & he was very nice & said he would contribute but how much I don't know. Mr. Kidder is in Europe for a short stay & will be back by the middle of Sept. Underwood was at the Gray Herb. when Dr. Watson published the 6th edit & was thought much of at that time. It was Dr. Watson's idea to have him & also to include the Hepaticae - nobody knows why & wherefore. Farlow is at work on his great fleshy fungi work & has an artist come every day - a Mr. Bridgman I believe. I was gratified to learn that a *Picea* which I picked at Mt. Desert

for nigra is probably right. This adds a species
to the Mt Desert list & is the only thing I can
claim to have found. Rand has gone over the
island, magnifying glass in hand & there is pre-
cious little left for adventurous botanists to
discover. The Myurotis collina which I found
at Pt of Pines with Rich & Greenman is new
to New England. There is a sheet of it in the
Gray Herb. from Ithaca N.Y. & one from Ontario
Canada. The Tayloria moss which you gave
me is only $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide but there are five
or six plants of the pale stalked with long large
capsules moss which is the one to have sent
it? I am going to Gloucester tonight with Rich
to spend Sunday. The little one flowered Campa-
nula rotundifolia of Mt. Washington Summit,
especially of Mt. Munroe is var. arctica of Lange
I made it that & Fernald confirms it. Dr. Robinson
dined with me Wedn. & went over all my
plants to Leguminosae. It was for the list
work - but also greatly to the advantage of
my Herb. as he set me straight on Lecheas

and Brassicas. I had a *B. juncea* *lobellus* *can-*
-pestus & I think we probably all have. *Lechea*
minor as we thought in the Blue Hills is *Lechea*
maritima & *Lechea maritima* of the Willey
 House (fide Britton) is *Lechea juniperina*, Bicknell.

What a saucy review of the 2^d part of the
 Syn. Flora is Bicknell's in the last Forey
 Bulletin! His impudent assumption of his
 capacity to criticize botanical work of high
 order like Robinson's is quite refreshing in
 a mere tyro.

Please give my kindest regards to Mrs. Kennedy
 & Miss Ingill & believe me to be

Sincerely Yours
 Will F. Williams

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