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Dec 5. 1910

Mr. Walter Deane,

Dear Friend:

I deferred answering your last letter till I had learned whether any ~~all~~ of the College Herbaria, to which I had offered sets of my plants, had failed to accept. I know of no one who would appreciate my collection more than you would, & I determined to send you one if possible. I am now able to spare one for you, ~~at least for examination~~, & will send it in two or three days, with the understanding that you may return it if you find it does not come up to your expectations. It is not perfect, but the best I could do. You may find that the one at the Gray Hb. will answer your needs.

I send you an account of five new species that appear in the sets; and in the Dec. & Jan. Torrey Bulletins will appear articles which will explain other numbers in my sets. The southern violets ~~were~~ had not been very well studied, & so, many changes were required. Then, too, there are several hybrids in the sets that I hope to discuss in print this winter. It has been a great task that has taken all my time & energy since I saw you last February.

Pardon my delay in answering your last good letter; I did not realize I had delayed so long. I have been so very busy.

Yours Sincerely,
Ezra Brainerd.

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