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R. F. D. PLYMOUTH, N. H.

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Dear Mr. Drake

I am taking the liberty of
bothering you with 3 Spec^{ms} just sent
to me from our elderly friend Miss
Phoebe J. Stone of Shelburne Falls - Mass.
I have sent back to her the results of
my finding =

1. *Singubrium altissimum*
2. ^{*Castanidium*} ~~or~~ *Radicula* } *palustris*.

3. *Dracocephalum parviflorum*.

Of the last, I am positive, of the 1 & 2
"I ha' no doots" But at a guess it is
more than likely die right. I had to
consult the Manual, for in Labiatae (mints
especially) my memory fails me, & it serves
me none in Cruciferae. Anyway, for one
to depend on me for the finding of names
for uncommon plants, such as these, is a
precarious proceeding. If there's enough
in these forlorn Spec^{ms} for you to discover
any mistake of mine, I'd be grateful for

a bit of your always Superior knowledge.
I can't turn these poor questioners off,
& they persist in thinking I am a botanist.
No not! — A student, yes, but not more.
If these things bother you for one minute,
there's the trashbasket to wh. they can be
consigned. I don't object to finding out
what a perfectly fresh plant is, but I'm not
enough patient for "mummies & corpses"

It is rather odd that Miss Stone finds
the unusual so often.

This weather has 'knocked us in the head'
Baby C. Katherine, Mary, myself & at last
Carrie, have had colds; Carrie's the worst.
but she thinks she is better today. Mrs
force Guevior is still good. She has been to
Trine, Roue, Florence & Naples, with Edwin, but
Frank was on "his job" but Mr. Luceau & Guesia "He
insisted she should go on a Cook Tour while
the weather was still good. She was "person-
ally conducted" & had a delightful time.

I am to go way down to Wellfleet (Cape Cod)
to lecture on Sat. next; shall ret. Monday.
Couldn't very well refuse: & C says "you ought to."
I'd rather not. My barometer doesn't give me much
hope of sunshines, & proofs still slowly come of
my book.

Cordially Yours F. Schuyler Matthews



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