

Brookland, D.C. Octr. 14th. 1910.

Dear Mr. Denn:

My very, very best thanks for your kind letter, and for sending my desiderata to the Arboretum, where I myself know nobody.

I am glad to learn that you and Mrs. Denn are well, but I scarcely thought you had returned to Cambridge by this time.

Now since you tell me that both *A. bahamica* and *Juglans communis* grow where you are, and especially when you offer to send me these, I would like to ask you again for a favor. If you can find a few, 2 or 3, young specimens of both *A. bahamica*, and the var. *hygmaea* of *Juglans*, only about 1 or 2-3 years old I should be immensely grateful to receive them with good roots, since I must study the root-structure, and the primary foliage is also of importance, but you must not go to too much trouble. Wrapped in a little moss they can be sent by parcel post, and kept well until I send them in alcohol for anatomical study:
I have worked up the median ferns and found an excellent character in the leaf-parenchyma of all the species of

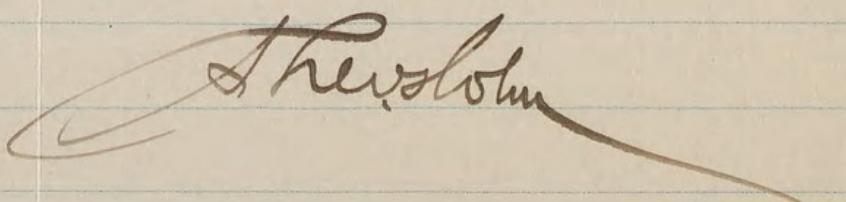
true Dryopteris? *Tiliifrons*, *spinulosa*, *cristata*,
marginalis, consisting in the strange presence of glandular
hairs in the air-channels of the leaf-parenchyme, some-
thing never seen before!!!

So far I enjoy working on plants, but you will appreciate
that I miss cooperation and congenial company, for here
in D.C. the botanists do not care for field work nor for
research, I am sorry to say.

I go out every week for a whole day's tramp, and the woods are
beautiful, and I am glad that *Alternanthera* by this time
has dropped its pods, for these are a nuisance down here; it
is almost impossible to get them off the plants; *Ridens* is not
half as bad.

Thanking you again for your kindness, believe me to be
with kindly regard

yours sincerely

Threlkeld

Specimens requested by Theodore
Holm, 1432 Newton St. Brookland, D.C.

Pinus palustris Mill. a young twig, 3 inches long
with leaves. (no cones)

Pinus Taeda L. a young twig, 3 in. long with leaves
(no cones)

Abies balsamea (L.) Mill. a young twig,
3 inches long (no cones) with leaves

Juniperus communis L. a branch 10 inches long
with leaves and fruits.

Juniperus (*Sabina* L.) a branch 5 inches long
^{horizontalis} Moench
with leaves and fruits

Very respectfully

• *The Holm*

The Arnold Arboretum. Cambridge Mass.



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