

Washington D.C.

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My dear Deane:

At last I have time to answer your letter of Sept 7 although I believe I promised you one early in August. But I am not going to apologize now for this and yet for hope I ought to for the postal card I sent during the summer for you misunderstood it. There has been no recent increase in my family except my botanical one. In the latter which is growing pretty fast & I am expecting some twins and triplets soon. Now it was one of these plants that I spoke of as a "pet without a name". One that I have been growing in

my own yard all summer and watching
with a good deal of interest. I had intended to
follow up my card with a letter in a few days
explaining the form. The plant is a very
curious little Acantaceae for which I cannot
find a generic place. I propose to name
it for a particular friend of mine in
my next "Contribution". I have it in flower and
shall have made a fine plate to accompany the
description.

My wife and family have been home
about 2 weeks, and it is very nice to
have them back again. I have made two
visits to Indiana during the summer
and will probably go again in a few
weeks.

How I do wish you might make us a little visit this fall. Why can't you?

We have received some specimens this year and you can have your pick. But if you can't come I want you to do up a bundle

of say 50 of your duplicates and send on your desideratum & I will see that some of your gaps are filled up. I want you to send a few duplicates so that I may have an excuse to get you out a set.

I send you the pictures of my two tobes. They are not very good but they are some of my own work.

How are things getting on at the herbarium? I would so much like to come up again.

Dr. Vasey has just returned from Europe. He has been away about 6 weeks.

I will send you new labels for those *Am. bellifera*. I was so busy that I had to leave the labeling of my plants to one of the clerks and one who is very careless.

I mean to write again soon. Just Rose
sends regards.

Yours very truly
J. N. Rose



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