

Davenport Nov 18th 1862

My Dear Dr Gray

Thanks for
the Decision, which I accept,
and will act upon. I have
so written to Hall. I have
written to him to send me on
a full set of his plants so
that I can find out what
I have, not included in his
collection, as soon as this is
ascertained I shall pack to
~~A~~ you the specimens of mine
necessary to complete the
sets. As he has not the means
of ascertaining how far his plants
agree with my collections last
year I suppose he will have
to use other numbers for the
sets.

I think I shall be able in
course of time to solve the mystery
of the "Pond Lily". The lady has a
brother still living in that
locality, and will write to him
to collect & send me full
material. I hope to hear from
them this winter and get
fruit and withered leaves if
possible. Next season the
flower must come. I have
written very full & explicit
directions about collecting and
preserving specimens in different
states, and used a little "blamey"
to excite an interest in clearing
up this puzzle. So I hope it
will eventually come to light.
You will have received my box
of seeds & specimens about which
I wrote you. If you have time
please indicate the names of
such as are not included in

last years collection.

Probably Hall will consent
to my using the ballance of
my collection. after he has made
his pick in the way of exchange
for books or specimens. If so
I may send them on I want
at least by purchase or otherwise
the last published vol of
DC Prod. —

Do the best you can with
the seeds sent having regard
primarily to the Cause of Science
& secondarily to the pocket wants
of Yours Truly
C. C. Parry



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