

Cambridge July 15, 1875

Geo. Lesquerault Esq.

My dear Sir

D^r. Gray called on me to day. He represented that you on your visit to him yesterday ~~stated~~ expressed a willingness to bring out a synopsis of the mosses of this country if I would join you in the enterprise. He approved of the project in toto and thought there was no time to be lost in its preparation. I told the D^r. that I had not the slightest objection to do so, and was willing to join and do every thing in my power in working it up. Our interview was short and he gave me no particulars as to the plan but requested me to write to you on the subject.

When I last saw you (in Cambridge) I

understood you to say that as soon as
the Supplement to the Deceser was
finished you would at once prepare
and publish a manual of the mosses,
and I inferred you ^{were} getting out the
materials for that object, nothing what-
ever was hinted that about my joining
in the project.

I would be glad to hear from you
about the matter -

I have just completed an examina-
tion of a set of Mosses for Dr Gray of the
Mosses collected by Dr J H Kiddle in
Kequelin Island, during a visit to
that Island for the purpose of making
observations of the transit of Venus.
I made out about 30 species.

Very truly your old friend
The P. Deceser



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