

New Haven, Connecticut, Feb. 13th 1882

Mr. S. Watson

Dear Sir I have just forwarded to you by Express specimens of the plants which you marked in a list sent you by Mr. Fahn. We added a few more and also some which we could not name, chiefly species of *Arenaria* - If you can give us names for these we shall feel under much obligation to you - *Arenaria* is a hard genus - for me - Prof. Eaton who has often assisted us in working out hard things did not seem to be much attracted by the *Arenariae* -

If on looking over the named species you observe any obvious error please let me know. Among them I have a shade of doubt about the following: *Astragalus rubricides*, ^{*Antennaria canadensis*}, *Plantago* var. *spoda*, *Arnica alpina*, and *Oxyc. orthotylala* var. ^{and *Hesperis matronalis*}. *Drummondii*. For I have never seen specimens of them - It is rather difficult to travel in the Shickabuck and no collecting of any account has ever been done there - We hoped therefore to

find some water flow there
since snow stays till August on
Mt. Albert and Table Topped Mountain
which are supposed to be the two highest
points in the range - We camped
fine nights on each - But on
account of bad weather we could
not explore Table Top satisfactorily -
This mountain was never visited
but once before - about 20 years ago
by Richardson an explorer in the
service of the Canadian Geol. Survey
It affords upwards of 50 square
square miles of alpine ground
and many deep ravines. Doubtless
many interesting plants grow there.

Yours Truly
Ch. D. Allen

P. S. Notes

Phlox paniculata is very common, more abundant than the
orbits in all the mountain region we saw between Little Rock
and St. Anne des Monts, and of flowers with large racemose
leaves - stems in flower only in high ravine on Mt. Albert
along with *P. paniculata*.

Linum americanum ascends with albert above the peaks,
tree line and taller in an alpine form, of reaching about a
few inches high along with *Asplenium* *Pluchea* etc.

Linum catharticum is very abundant on
the mountain above here and also *Pandanus* *fulvum* -
the latter sterile - We saw it in fruit on low ground.

I think the *Dryas octopetala* var. is not common, we
saw in few places especially among the ground on the lower
lower part of St. Anne river ~~the~~ but not where else



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