

Dear Madam —

July 19/20

I am desirous of securing a peculiarly competent librarian to take charge, or to learn to take charge, of the library belonging ~~to~~ this Herbarium, and at Mr. Winsor's suggestion I take the liberty of writing to you as perhaps able to recommend some one for the place.

The library is ~~strictly~~ ^{strictly} botanical & now numbers ~~about~~ over 5000 volumes and 3000 pamphlets, ^{catalogued} ~~the present cata-~~ ^{logued} ~~logued~~ by authors. ~~and~~ (rather roughly) ~~done~~. I need some, to keep it in order, to take care of accessions, to keep the run of bookseller's catalogue & other opportunities for the purchase of desiderata may not be lost, to gradually become familiar with the contents of the library and to carry out a sys.

technical indexing of it by subjects. It
needs a person of considerable ability,
and good judgment, ^{and scientific tact, and} with a fair knowledge
of Latin, German and French. The position
would, for the right person, be a per-
manent one and the compensation
probably \$7-800 per year.

~~If you know of any one ^{con-}
suitable for this
could be obtained to do this work~~
I should be under great obli-
gation to you if you will kindly in-
form me of ^{some} ~~any~~ one whom you
believe competent for this work.

W.V.T.

S.W.

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