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New Orleans Dec. 17 1884
422 1/2 St. Charles Ave,

My dear Lavenport,

You see here we are, and I assure you we are hard at work mounting and labeling plants for the grand exposition.

Have not ^{yet} seen better specimens or better work upon them than we find in our coll.

Have over 100 ferns mounted, just enough to make us regret the lack of certain other new species.

Can you not send me - if only for this fair - good specimens of
Wattolana Pringlei, } (Also any other
Chilanthus Parryi, } new ones,)

You remember I have only a little piece of a frond of the first, and never had any of the latter.

Savannah, Ga. x Lexington, Va.

for codes of the
Mrs L. S. painting of the
Wish you could see

Have only about $\frac{1}{2}$ of our work completed, tho' working every day & evening, To carefully label & mount so many plants requires a long time,

If you will excuse the seeming egotism I will enclose clippings from the papers, just to show you better than I can now write it, what we propose to do this winter,

We had to have a severe seasoning at first for several days, both sick, Better now and in novel health, — of which there is great need with the work before us,

Tell your Boston friends to inquire us out, We exhibit in the States Building, California section,

Shall expect during the season to meet with a great many eastern people,

Hurriedly but cordially,

Yours,

J. G. Bennett,



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