

Wellesley Mass.

Feb. 3. 1902.

Dear Mr. Collins:

You may wonder why you have not heard from me in regard to the matter I broached at our last conference. The truth is that I have not been able to make any arrangements for change in the business - No one wants to buy!

Mr. Seymour tells me that he has had some correspondence with Preston & Rounds of your city in regard to the matter. They were willing

Know it is for sale, even if you did not care
to be connected with it yourself.

Pardon this somewhat hasty note.

Sincerely yours.

Belmont E. Cummings.

at that time to take the books and
herbarium papers. I have wondered
if they might not take an interest
in the business as a whole if you
were to look after the botanical
side of the work? If they would
look after the business part
that would let you free to do
the scientific work - Do you
think the proposition worth con-
sidering? And if so would you
be willing to sound them? .
Perhaps you would do me the
favor to speak to them about
the business - saying that you



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