468 Hope Street, Providence, R.I.

Nov. 13, 1911.

Dear Dr. Robinson:-

Several years ago I was forced from lack of space to take from my private herbarium all specimens collected outside of New England, and pack them away in bundles. They were all mounted on sheets 10 1/2 x 16, a trifle smaller than standard size, almost invariably with a fastening of a few paper or cloth gummed strips. I do not know how many there were of them, but they make a stack about two feet tall (one stack). They were collected in Colorado, California, some in Europe, and a few in other places. So far as I know they are in good condition at the present time.

I believe I can use the space that they occupy to good advantage and would like to inquire if they would be acceptable as a gift to the Gray Herbarium. If so I would like to impose two slight conditions in connection with the transfer; (1) that each sheet that is not at present marked so as to show that it came from me (i.e.where my own label is not now on the sheet) will be so marked at an early opportunity, (2) that no public announcement of the gift will be made in a way that will be likely to inform people here in Providence that in their disposition I preferred the Gray to the Brown.

Very truly yours,

J. Franklin Collins.

If you care for the specimens I will take them up to Cambridge sometime when I am going up, perhaps half at a time.



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