

New York Botanical Gardens, Bronx Park, N.Y. City.

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Dear Dr. Kennedy,

I was very glad to hear from you, though sorry to learn that you have had such a time with illness this winter. Well it is over now and you will enjoy again your lovely home, and all be in good health I hope. I write to tell you that Breidler sent me specimens of *Grimmia caespiticia* from the Austrian Alps, which do not agree any better with the specimens from Tuckermans Ravine that mine did, and I have concluded to name it for Dr. Evans, and have written out a description and sent to him asking him to make some outline sketches of the leaves. I have also asked Mr. Collins to loan us those drawings of the cross-sections of the leaves which he made, and if it will be agreeable I should like to print the description and drawings on Rhodora. Will you ask about it for me? - I am getting ready to move up to Bedford Park in sight of our new Museum where we hope to move in, in July. Mr. Britton is offering some very attractive special courses for next winter, and I wish we could find some way of paying Mr. Collins living expenses so that he might come and work with me there next winter. His privileges can be arranged for on a system of equivalents in work. Can you not think about this and talk about it quietly among your friends? He would make a splendid bryologist with a little laboratory training under Prof. MacDougal, and systematic training with me, if I do say so, and I should be so glad to help him.

Cordially yours,

Elizabeth G. Britton



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