

New York Botanical Garden,
Bronx Park,
New York City.

Feb. 1st, 1903.

Dear Dr. Kennedy,

I am so sorry to learn that your eyes have been troubling you; mine have been tired for years, but I manage to rest them a little every night by avoiding late hours, and electric lights. Yes, Mt. Washington, Mass, is a delightful summering place. It was the home of Dora and Elaine Goodale, where much of their poetry was written, and I am very fond of Bashbush Falls and Sage's Ravine. You should make a trip there sometime! If we go there for a Botanical collecting trip again, I will send you word. I have spent several delightful weeks there four different times in my life, when I was a child in 1870, in 1897 with some friends at Spurr's, in 1900 at Alanda, and a short trip for a few days in Spring-time three years ago. I know you would enjoy it and there are many rare and interesting mosses, both in Sage's Ravine and especially in Bashbush Falls ravine above the falls. I am glad to learn that the duplicates that I sent you will be of some interest to your collections. I wish that some way would be contrived so that Mr. Collins could get more time for study. We are installing a lot of new cases and I am to have more room for my mosses. I have had a gift to help me now for over a year, and am getting a lot of mounting done, and getting rid of our duplicates as fast as I can. There is still a large accumulation of Southern species gathered by Dr. Small and his correspondents, which I have not taken the time to study, and Mr. Williams has brought a fine collection from Bolivia, on which I shall have to give him some help. I also have a lot of Mexican mosses still unstudied, among them a small set of Pringle's, which Miss Cummings is very anxious that I should supply names for. I have sent all the recent West Indian collections from Porto Rico, Cuba and St Kitts to Kew for Mr.

I hope that if either they or
you and Mrs. Kennedy are in
New York you will be sure to
come to see us at the Garden.

I hope that you have all kept well
through this German winter.

With kindest regards believe me

Sincerely yours

Elizabeth G. Butler.

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