

Berne a fine small
stand with stage & mirror
for 8 frames which I
rejoice upon & think I
may yet do something if
it is late in the summer.
Tomorrow I make an
excursion trip (for the day
only) to Zurich where I
hear there is an excellent
Botanic garden - Lucerne
so far as I know has none.
The boys are quite well
& sorry to leave the wonderful
Oberland for this
(comparatively) plain looking
town. We all send
our kind regards to you
Mrs Deane

Truly yrs
G G K

Lucerne 1 Aug 86
Dear Mr Deane
Your Postals
have been greatly prized.
I do like to know what
you are abt at home.
The last (July 18) came
yesterday & greeted
us on our return from
the Bernese Oberland.
You would go crazy
with their over flowers
& snow scenes. I have
taken in a few, but
with the family abt
me it is not so easy
to be a Botanist.
At Berne I spent
a couple of hours in
the small but well
arranged Botanic garden.

This I think a tower
affair, supported by
the Municipality, and in
charge of Dr. Discher;
he was away or I
should certainly have
made his acquaintance.
The garden impressed
me as being the home
or resort of a "working"
Botanist or Botanist
class, rather than
a mere show place.
One bed of *Caesi*, not
more than 100 ft. square
contained more species
than any garden I
ever saw, & the great
abundance of tropical
plants made me
wonder, where they

stored them in the winter
as there were very
few & meagre looking
glass houses. One
curious Alpine Umbellifer
Astrantia, was growing
very finely there. I bought
a small dissecting micro-
scope in Bern. I made
a great mistake leaving
mine at home. I thought
I could find something in
London to suit me, but
they were all too cumbersome
some for my trunk & I
thought that a makeshift
I found there would do,
but it has been a great
trial to me, as you will
readily believe, when you
see it, so I found in



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