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Southington March 30th 1903

My Dear Mr. Davenport

Yours of Feb 3rd at hand.
As I am writing for publication upon
additions to the "Flora of Southington"
I wish to refer to some of the specimens
sent in its package to you, if you
could return them at your earliest
convenience it would be of great assistance
to me.

I wish to express to
you my appreciation of your kindness,
my only regret is that I cannot repay^{you}
in some way. I think that we
appreciate such favours more as we
advance in years, you remind me
of Dr. Gray who as I have seen it
related never refused to assist an
inquiring botanist, and it should be
so, we workers, we of the rank and file

who are not situated where we can have
access to the larger libraries if we are
to good work must be assisted by
the leaders as one courage fails and
one gives up in despair, I have been
at work now for several years building
up an herbarium of authenticated material
something that I can refer to with
confidence and I greatly appreciate
the additions made from year to
year.

It is with the greatest
pleasure that in referring to my collection
of ferns I can ^{point to} ~~show~~ you some
attached to most of the sheets, it adds
so much to their value and the
confidence I have in them.

Wishing that you may remain
with us for many years yet
I remain

Yours sincerely
L. Coulter



Andrews, Luman. 1903. "Andrews, Luman Mar. 30, 1903." *George Edward Davenport correspondence*

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