

Louisville Ky

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My Dear Mr Davenport

I have been very busy since I got back from my little trip, and the weather has been very warm and at night after business I was tired out, I will make you up a package of ferns at once, sending you the spinulosus I collected.

I wish you had been with me to enjoy that Cascade, amidst the hurry and cares of business. It returns to my mind as well defined as when I first saw it. I do earnestly hope this spot will be preserved in its primitive purity and beauty. From a number of letters I have received from interested parties I think it will be taken care of. I have done what I could for it.

preservation. My object as you know
is purely from a scientific point of view.
I read your article on Ferns. from
Syracuse Courier. with interest
By the way was Dr Gray's paper
on Rocky Mountain vegetation published
I should liked to read it. Are you a
Member of this Association. They sent me
a ^{invitation} Circular to join, but I do not care
for these things. And I suppose every body
can become a member if he has \$8.00
to spare. "I'll put my money where it will do
the most good" I have not heard from
friend Higginson for a long time. I hope he is
well. I had a letter from James Britten. F.L.S.,
author of European Ferns. I also enclose you
the Nature Culturist's Fern Etchings. I had it
printed on Postal Card. I have a few left yet
I thought this may get rid of them.
I must not forget your copy. but I have
done no printing for a long time.
Do you know Mr. Geo Bates. Naturalists Agency
Salem. is he reliable. he wants Ferns of ly
to sell on commission.
I will be glad to hear from you. Your sincere friend
John Williamson



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