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Mr. Walter Deane;
29 Brewster Street,
Cambridge, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Deane:

Your letter of December 31, 1921, is before me; in fact it has been before me ever since it was received but I have been so much engrossed with proof-reading and other things that I have neglected not only you but other correspondents.

We received your Christmas present several days before Christmas and strictly followed your injunction and did not open it until Christmas Morning. I want to thank you most heartily for remembering us.

I said that I had been busy with proof-reading and the like. My cactus volume, volume 3, has long been in proof but owing to the delays in having the colored illustrations made it has been held up much longer than we had hoped. Rebecca and I have read carefully three proofs of it and there is one more

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to be read and a long index is to be made. Volume 4 has nearly all been written and I am planning to turn it in to the Carnegie Institution on the first of April. It will however take a year or more to get it through the press.

George is finishing his senior year at Princeton. He will be home to-morrow for his mid-year vacation. He hopes to enter Harvard Law School in the fall and is looking forward to seeing you frequently. Perhaps Mrs. Rose and I will get up to Cambridge while George is there. In fact, I suggested to George that we attend the American Association meeting at Cambridge but he prefers to spend Christmas at home. We are all quite well at home and very often talk of you and every now and then someone brings word that they have seen you. I think the last Washington man who was back from Cambridge is Eggleston.

Last night we attended the Congressional Reception at the White House at which it is stated that more

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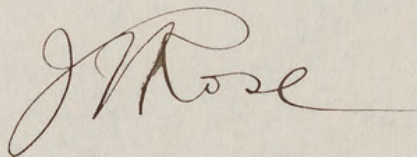
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than three thousand were present. Of the six people in the receiving line four were from Massachusetts. Mrs. Rose wore the beautiful black dress of Mrs. Deane. Shee looked very handsome.

I am just sending a little note on the re-discovery of *Coelopleurum actaeifolium* on Long Island to Torreya. I suppose that you have plants from New York.

Very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Rose", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.



Rose, J. N. 1922. "Rose, Joseph Nelson Feb. 10, 1922." *Joseph Nelson Rose letters to Walter Deane*

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